



CITY OF STURGEON BAY
LOCAL ARTS BOARD MEETING
Wednesday, September 14, 2022, 8:30 A.M.
Council Chambers, City Hall, 421 Michigan Street

A meeting of the Local Arts Board was called to order at 8:31 A.M., by Chairperson/Alder Helen Bacon in Council Chambers, City Hall, 421 Michigan Street.

Roll Call [1]: Members present were Alder Helen Bacon, Claire Morkin, and Margaret Lockwood. Stephanie Trenchard and melaniejane were excused. City Administrative Assistant Suzanne Miller was also in attendance.

Adoption of the Agenda [2]: Moved by Morkin and seconded by Lockwood to adopt the following agenda.

1. Roll Call
2. Adoption of the agenda
3. Review of Minutes from August 10th, 2022
4. Public comment on agenda items
5. Chair's report
6. Discussion and follow up on the Wisconsin Sea Grant mural
7. Discussion of creating "Call for Artist" for Sculpture Loan Program
8. Discussion/Identification of pieces to include as Public Art on Local Arts Board Webpage
9. Adjourn

All in favor. Carried.

Review of Minutes from August 10th, 2022 [3]: No corrections or changes were requested.

Public comment on agenda items [4]: No public comments.

Chair's report [5]: Chair Bacon spoke on the following items:

- a. Report on *Produce and Pollinators*, the recently completed mural by Erin LaBonte at Bayside Bargains that was commissioned for the Granary Project. Mural honors/includes the historic Granary, Water/Marine transportation, and agriculture.
- b. Update on possibility that Sea Grant may commission a second mural with unspent funds from their 50th Anniversary Commemorative mural program. An artist from the original competition submitted a low-cost proposal for a mural featuring the three sunken vessels located near Bullhead Point. Proposed locations include Bullhead Point and Sunset Park. The artist is not available until 2023. If the commission is granted, University of Wisconsin Sea Grant will pay the artist and the City will complete and cover the expenses of installation.
- c. Explanation of the City's budget process, which has started. The Committee of the Whole will meet on 9.26.22 to review half of the budget and again two weeks later to review the remainder. A public hearing will follow. The funding proposed by the Local Arts Board for stipends and an operating budget in 2023, previously approved by the Common Council, will not be certain until the Council approves the final 2023 budget.
- d. melaniejane was unable to meet with City Clerk Stephanie Reinhardt so there is no report on the Local Arts Board website.

Update on Sea Grant mural [6]: Bacon reported the Sea Grant 50th Anniversary mural is nearing completion. Artists Erin LaBonte and Don Krumpos of Yonder Studio (Algoma) were joined by Jody Henseler (a Manitowoc Public Schools science teacher) in creating the mural and ensuring it is scientifically correct. Sea Grant video producer Bonnie Willison is in the process of producing a video chronicling the creation of the mural which may include filming the installation. Discussions between artists and Municipal Services regarding the specifics of the installation are in progress. A public event (Meet and Greet with the Artist / Unveiling / Ribbon Cutting) is planned

for the morning of Saturday, October 15th and the media will be invited. Jennifer Smith of Sea Grant will create a press release.

Discussion of creating “Call for Artist” for Sculpture/Art Loan Program [7]: Bacon and the Board discussed the information and materials that may be requested in an upcoming Call for Artists for the Art/Sculpture Loan Program. The two-year contract for *Crosswind Approach* will end in summer 2023. Suggestions included:

- Accepting 1-2 pieces
- Providing applicants with a written vision of the waterfront promenades.
- Two-year contract required
- Applicant’s must be at least 18 years of age
- Artist’s biography and Artist’s statement requested.
- There will be no fee for an artist to submit
- Stipend will be paid (bending City budget approval)
- Artist is responsible for costs of shipping and returning the artwork
- City will bear responsibility and cost of installation
- Jennifer Smith will be consulted for information concerning where to publish the call. A decision must be made as to whether to publish the call statewide vs. local only.
- Panel reviewing artists and artwork will include Municipal Services Director Mike Barker, City Administrator Josh VanLieshout, and interested members of the Local Arts Board

Bacon will create a draft “Call for Artists” document for review and discussion by the Board at the next meeting.

Discussion/Identification of pieces to include as Public Art on Local Arts Board Webpage [8]: Existing artwork previously discussed included:

Sculptures:

- *Crosswind Approach* on East Waterfront Promenade (Steven Haas)
- *Garden Kaleidoscope* at Stangel Accounting and Tax on Michigan St. (R.C. Anderson)
- *Door County Veteran’s Memorial and Eagle [Old Abe]* at City Hall on Michigan St. (artist rendering by Mark Mille, created/cast by Domus Dei/Massimiliano Del Monte in Rome, Italy).
- *Confluence* in Graham Park on Pennsylvania St. (Rob Soukup)
- *Woolly* in Bayview Park on Larch St. (Carl Vanderheyden)

Murals:

- Pollinators to Produce at Bayside Bargains on Maple St. (Erin LaBonte)
- Sea Grant 50th Anniversary Mural at City Hall on Michigan St. (Erin LaBonte)

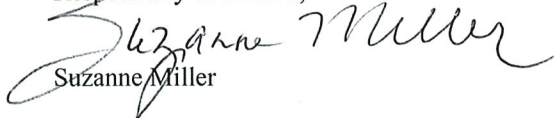
Additional works added/discussed:

- Outdoor Sculptures at Margaret Lockwood Gallery on 2nd Ave.
- *Fruits of Sturgeon Bay* in U.S. Post office on Louisiana St. (Santos Zingale)
- Twin murals in Door County Library on 4th Ave (Jessie Kalmbach Chase)
- 3-panel mural created for the original library in the former Sturgeon Bay High School on 5th Ave. Current location or whether the murals were saved when the library was relocated or the school demolished is unknown. (Jessie Kalmbach Chase)
- Murals/signs on Get Real Café on Madison Ave. Are these murals or advertising/signs? (Zane Statz)
- Sculptures outside of private home on Jefferson St. Miller will obtain contact information for homeowners.

Next Meeting Date: Wednesday, November 9th @ 8:30 A.M. – Council Chambers, City Hall.

Motion to adjourn [9]: by Morkin with second by Lockwood. All in favor. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:48 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,


Suzanne Miller