

CITY OF STURGEON BAY
LOCAL ARTS BOARD MEETING
AMENDED

Wednesday, December 8, 2021
Council Chambers, City Hall, 421 Michigan Street
9:00 A.M.

A meeting of the Local Arts Board was called to order at 9:02 A.M., by Chairperson/Ald. Helen Bacon in Council Chambers, City Hall, 421 Michigan Street.

Roll Call: Members present were Ald. Helen Bacon, Margaret Lockwood, Stephanie Trenchard and melaniejane. Claire Morkin present via a virtual connection. Also present, Municipal Services Secretary, Patty Quinn.

Adoption of the Agenda: Moved by Ms. melaniejane and seconded by Ms. Lockwood to adopt the agenda.

1. Roll Call
2. Adoption of the agenda
3. Review of Minutes from November 10, 2021
4. Chair's report
5. Public comment on agenda items
6. Discussion on the development of a cultural matrix/roadmap for art acquisition
7. Consideration to approve paying stipends to artists to encourage the loaning of art to the City
8. Adjourn

All in favor. Carried.

Review of Minutes from November 10, 2021: No comments.

Chair's report: Ald. Bacon announced that Valerie Clarizio has joined the board of "Write On".

The board members want to add a call to creativity to the public to start in February. Ms. melaniejane, with the help of Suzanne Miller, City Administrative Assistant, will put together a press release and will send to all the members for their input, prior to the next meeting. Possible agenda item in January to consider approval for the call to creativity to begin February.

Other discussion was had regarding painting murals on City properties and privately-owned building walls.

Public comment on agenda items: No comments.

Discussion on the development of a cultural matrix/roadmap for art acquisition: Ald. Bacon distributed "An Open Forum for Creative Ideas" that included a list of projects for 2022, as well as items previously discussed to establish "Our Brand/What is Guiding Us". Next stop would be to create an ad-hoc group of two to three people to organize the project list and get more details for 2022 projects. She asked the members to take distributed document home and add and/or delete from it as it's a working document in progress.

The board discussed several future projects that included the Celestial Sailor metal art sculpture into Sunset Park. Ald. Bacon also introduced the idea of bringing the traveling exhibit called Washed Ashore to the City in 2024.

More discussion was had on murals and helping business owners apply for grants to help with the cost of a mural could be part of the mural project. The members would like to push for building embellishment with possibly asking business owners to apply to receive one of three grants each offering the same dollar amount rather than pursuing grants. It was pointed out that an ordinance changes would have to be approved and anything related to privately-owned buildings would need to be thought through.

Consideration to approve paying stipends to artists to encourage the loaning of art to the City:

Ald. Bacon suggested that the City Administrator should be present for this. She asked the members for any positives so that she can educate others on the importance of stipends in general and replies included that it would show appreciation and respect and it's more symbolic; it would give us a competitive edge; it's tangible and is a token of appreciation. Ald. Bacon will need to prepare an executive summary to bring to others at City Hall and will bring back further information to the next meeting. Ms. melaniejane will create a thank you note for Artist Steve Haas and have the Mayor sign it.

Ms. Trenchard left the meeting at 10:08 A.M.

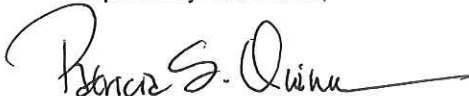
Possible Items for next month's agenda:

- Consideration to approve a call to creativity to the public to begin in February 2022.
- Consideration to approve paying stipends to artists to encourage the loaning of art to the City.
- Discussion of building embellishment and the painting of murals.
- Discussion on members choosing areas/projects of interest.

Next Meeting Date: Wednesday, January 12, 2022 @ 9 A.M. 8:30 AM – Council Chambers, City Hall.

Motion to adjourn by Ms. Lockwood and seconded by Ms. melaniejane. All in favor. Carried. Meeting adjourned at 10:25 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,



Patricia S. Quinn
Municipal Services Secretary