# LOVELAND VISUAL ARTS COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING MINUTES THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 19<sup>TH</sup>, 2015 LOVELAND MUSEUM/GALLERY: CONFERENCE ROOM 5:00 PM REGULAR VAC BUSINESS

The November 19<sup>th</sup>, 2015 VAC meeting was officially called to order at 5:35 pm by Chairperson Margie Rosborough. Commissioners present: Roger Clark, Greg Hoff, Nancy Jakobsson, Sherri Heckel Kuhlmann, Judy O'Gorman, Maryjo Morgan. Absent: Julie Bender and Abbie Powers. Also present were Jennifer Cousino (Loveland Museum/Gallery), and Museum liaisons Susan Ison, Kimber Kreutzer and Katie Fowers.

#### **Preliminary Matters**

Additions or Corrections to the November 19<sup>th</sup>, 2015 meeting agenda: *Item I) TAAP 2D* was added under VAC Business *Item F) Taft Avenue Bridge* was added under Staff Updates

Additions or Corrections to the October 8<sup>th</sup>, 2015 meeting minutes: Roger Clark moved to accept the minutes as presented. Sherri Heckel Kuhlmann seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Citizen Comments: There were no citizens present to comment on VAC business.

#### **VAC Business/Action Items**

**A. Maintenance, Jennifer Cousino**: Jennifer has researched different professional conservators to come look at our collection to address recent allegations of maintenance mismanagement. Jonathan Taggert was recommended by many local organizations. After a lengthy discussion, Nancy Jakobsson moved to have Jennifer draft a letter of agreement to find out the availability and pricing of Mr. Taggart to give a second opinion about the condition of the collection. Sherri Heckel Kuhlmann amended to have Jonathan focus on a) answering the allegations that were brought forward and b) assess the condition of the collection as it has been maintained over time. Roger Clark seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Kathleen Caricof's piece *Loving the Moment* has been removed from Benson Park to be repaired. There has not been a final decision made about where it will be placed once it is repaired, but the hope is that it will be returned to Benson Park.

- **B. Budget, Susan Ison**: The budget was distributed by Susan for the VAC to review.
- **C. Moving** *The Gathering*, **Susan Ison**: The piece probably will not be able to be moved until the spring. The proposed location at SSSP is north of Loch Mount and north of Highway 34 and south of the sidewalk. Susan will take a photograph of the proposed location and send it out to the VAC for review before the next meeting.
- **D. FAB-RFP Update, Susan Ison**: There is a new timeline for the RFP because there were 80 applications on Café. The 3 finalists will be notified on December 8<sup>th</sup> after the subcommittee meeting on December 7<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 pm. The artists will present their ideas to the VAC on January 11<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 pm. The winner will be notified January 12<sup>th</sup> and the installation date is still to be determined. Katie will send out a reminder email next week to the jurors on the committee to complete their votes on Café to prepare the presentation of the top choices.
- **E.** Wilson Avenue Bridge Update, Susan Ison: The presentations for the artists will be on December 2<sup>nd</sup> at 2:00 pm in the Foote Gallery at the Loveland Museum/Gallery.
- **F.** National Sculpture Day Committee, Susan Ison: The VAC had expressed an interest earlier in the year to get a committee organized to plan something for National Sculpture Day on April 24<sup>th</sup>, 2016. The members of the VAC that will be on this subcommittee will be Abbie Powers (chair), Judy O'Gorman and Nancy Jakobsson. We will also invite a local sculptor to serve on the committee.
- **G. Website use request, Susan Ison**: Susan received an email from Marshall Anderson who requested that he gain permission to use a photograph of *Generations* by Fritz White on his website. There were no details given in his email about what his business was or what the purpose of the photograph would be. The VAC was open to giving

- permission to use the photograph as long as its purpose was approved by the VAC. Susan will get more information from Mr. Anderson and let the VAC know so that they can make an informed decision.
- **H.** Chef Clay request, Susan Ison: Chef Clay is interested in having artwork installed in front of his business on 4<sup>th</sup> and Cleveland. The VAC was open to this idea and thought it might be a good location for a TAAP sculpture in future years.
- I. TAAP 2D, Kimber Kreutzer: The VAC unanimously agreed to continue funding this program. Kimber and Katie will work on getting the Call for Entry out by the end of the month. It was also decided that we would not put the call for entry on Café, but rather email the application directly to the database of artists that have applied for our calls in the past. The members of the subcommittee from the VAC will be Maryjo Morgan, Nancy Jakobsson and Roger Clark. Janice Farley and Judy Kwiatkowski will be asked if they are interested in being citizen jurors.

### **Staff Updates**

- **A. SCFD**, **Susan Ison**: The committee met last night and things are moving along well. Susan will continue to inform the VAC of future meetings. She also passed out a synopsis to the group of what the committee has been working on.
- **B.** Website/Mobile App Report, Kimber Kreutzer: We have forwarded all our images to GIS and they are working on updating their information and getting it on the website. We will start with Benson Park and then do the rest of the collection. Kimber hopes to be able to show something to the group at the February meeting. Kimber will also forward the link to the VAC of where the information is online. There was discussion about getting a domain name that will link to the website, but because of City of Loveland, it may be restricted. Kimber will look into this and report back to the group next month.
- C. December VAC Meeting Date, Susan Ison: It was decided that the December 10<sup>th</sup> meeting will be shortened to only address urgent VAC business and then have a holiday party following. It was suggested to have a catered event at Artworks and that spouses be invited. Susan will check availability of Artworks with Angela Canada-Hopkins and report back to the group via email.
- **D. 2D Committee Update, Maryjo Morgan**: Maryjo will send an email to the group about the proposed locations to hang some of our TAAP 2D pieces that are in storage. Kimber will then work with John Dilgarde to get them hung. Katie is also working with Jennifer Cousino to confirm the locations of all other 2D pieces so that we have updated, complete information about all our pieces in the collection.
- **E.** VAC Applications Update, Kimber Kreutzer: We are currently taking applications for the VAC for next year and will be accepting them until November 30<sup>th</sup>. To date, we have received 6 applications for 4 available spots. Interviews will be set up as soon as the application deadline has passed. Also, the City Council liaison is to be appointed at the December 1<sup>st</sup> City Council meeting.
- **F.** Taft Avenue Bridge, Susan Ison: The Public Works Department has been approved to finish the next chunk of the Taft Avenue project. They will be working on a bridge between 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> street that will probably bring around 16K to the VAC to use for that space. Possible options are molded concrete, or possibly continue the *River Critters* theme along this road on the parapets. No action was taken and the VAC will continue to discuss as more details become available.

### **City Council Update**

There was no representative present to give a City Council Update.

#### **Information Sharing**

- Nancy shared a brochure *The Clarifier* about a cistern in Lyons that is work a visit.
- Maryjo shared that Alternatives to Violence moved to a new location to work on the remodel.

• Susan shared a newspaper article about "25 years ago" and the wooden Indian "Redman" that was decommissioned.

## **Adjournment**

Citing no further VAC business, Nancy Jakobsson moved to adjourn. Judy O'Gorman seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 7:10. The length of the meeting was 1:35.