

LOVELAND VISUAL ARTS COMMISSION: REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
THURSDAY, JULY 7TH, 2016
LOVELAND MUSEUM GALLERY: CONFERENCE ROOM
5:00 PM – REGULAR VAC BUSINESS

The July 7th, 2016 VAC meeting was called to order at 5:00 pm by Chairperson Nancy Jakobsson. Commissioners present: Roger Clark, Greg Hoff, Judy O’Gorman, Abbie Powers, Margie Rosborough. Absent: Maryjo Morgan, Sara Turner and Jade Windell. Also present were: Jennifer Cousino (Loveland Museum/Gallery), City Council liaison Leah Johnson, and Staff Liaisons Susan Ison, Kimber Kreutzer and Katie Fowers.

Call Meeting to Order

- A. Additions or Corrections to the July 7th, 2016 meeting agenda:** There were no additions or corrections to the agenda.
- B. Additions or Corrections to the June 2nd, 2016 meeting minutes:** There were no additions or corrections to the meeting minutes. Greg Hoff motioned to accept the minutes as submitted. Roger Clark seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
- C. Citizen Comments:** Citizens wishing to address the Visual Arts Commission shall be allotted 3 minutes to address VAC business. There were no citizens present to comment on VAC business.

VAC Business/Action Items:

- A. Maintenance, Jennifer Cousino:** There were several maintenance updates since last meeting:
 - a. We have yet to hear back from Ken Williams on the plinth repair.
 - b. The Robert Mangold piece in front of the museum, *Point Travelling Through Space at an Erratic Speed*, has been repainted.
 - c. The maintenance contracts are being routed through proper City channels and will be completed soon.
 - d. There are plans to draft a job description around September for the new hire to help with maintenance.
- B. Budget, Susan Ison:** There was no budget update this month.
- C. 2D Rotation Committee, Maryjo Morgan:** Maryjo Morgan was not present to comment on the 2D rotation committee business. Susan took this opportunity to propose possibly moving the mosaics in the plaza over to Kitchen Alley. The VAC seemed favorable to this idea and it will be explored in more detail this month.
- D. AIPP Facebook Page, Kimber Kreutzer:** The Visual Arts Commission would like to move forward with creating their own Facebook page. Kimber and Katie will be the administrators of the information that is posted.
- E. 4th Street Gallery, Susan Ison:** The 4th Street Gallery is looking for a group to curate the displays there. After discussion, a subcommittee was organized to explore possibilities of what can be done with the space with other groups around town. The members who volunteered for the committee are Susan Ison, Abbie Powers and Judy O’Gorman.

Staff Updates:

- A. Railroad Avenue Bridge, Susan Ison:** Joe Norman, the artist designing the Railroad Avenue Bridge artwork, is looking for an engineer to look over his proposal to make sure that it is safe for installation on the bridge. Suggestions were made of possible affordable engineers to pass along to Joe.
- B. TAAP –Sculpture, Kimber Kreutzer:** This year’s TAAP sculptures have been installed along 4th Street. Because of its size and the logistics involved in moving it, plans to remove Iscariot are tentatively set to take place before the end of August.
- C. Wilson Avenue Bridge, Susan Ison:** Stephen Shachtman’s design for the Wilson Avenue Bridge, *The Watchmen*, has been completed and is awaiting installation.

- D. SCFD, Susan Ison:** The committee working on SCFD met and have secured about 7,200 signatures on petitions thus far. There is a little over a week left before the petitions are due, so they will continue to work on getting enough necessary signatures to hopefully secure a place on the ballot in November.
- E. *The Gathering*, Susan Ison:** The plinth has been poured over by the lake and Linda Prokop will hopefully be meeting soon with Ken Williams to decide on final placement of the figures.
- F. *Mountain Comrades*, Susan Ison:** It was proposed that Mountain Comrades be moved to the triangle at the South entrance to the city where Lincoln and Cleveland meet. Because of its proposed location at a busy road with a slight curve, it will be placed on a large, tall plinth. Greg Hoff has generously donated some landscape rocks to help beautify the plinth and surrounding area.
- G. *Yarn Bombing*, Katie Fowers:** The yarn bombing event was a success. There was a lot of left over yarn that did not get placed on the fence. Sara Turner had mentioned possibly making another event geared specifically toward children. Because she is not here to speak to it, Katie will check with Sara to see if this something she would like to pursue.
- H. *Transformations*, Kimber Kreutzer:** The subcommittee met to decide the finalists for this year's transformation project. The finalists are:
 Lauren E. Thurman – *Floating Gnomes*
 Chelsea Hoffman – *Faeries*
 Amber Jarvis – *Seeing It From Every Perspective*
 Lindsey Wohlman – *Butterflies*
 Charlotte Zink – *Neighborhood*
 Werner Schrieber – *Robo Gardeners* (alternate)
 Mollie Walker Freeman – *Roses* (2nd alternate)
- Margie Rosborough moved to accept these finalists as proposed. Greg Hoff seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
- Also, we are still working on figuring out how to solve the clear-coating problem from last year. Because of the incredible cost to deaccession the box with the paint failure, it was suggested that perhaps we just clear coat the box as it is and leave the top of the box plain. Another alternative would be to have the artist just repaint the top then recoat the whole thing. Kimber will explore options and prices and report back to the VAC next month.
- I. *LHPAC/VAC Social Gathering*, Nancy Jakobsson:** The date was decided for the Loveland High Plains Arts Council and Visual Arts Commission social gathering. The proposed social will be held at Greg Hoff's home on Wednesday, August 24th at 6:00 pm. There will be hors d'oeuvres and it was requested to bring a beverage to share with the group. Guests are invited to attend. Kimber will work on getting a formal invitation made and in the mail in the near future.
- J. *Sculpture in the Park Dedication*, Susan Ison:** The dedication for the new sculptures will be on July 16th from 10 am – noon in the Park Pavilion. In addition, the new Public Art app will be announced during the Sculpture in the Park Show in August to hopefully generate more buzz around it.
- K. *Dark Heart Coffee Mural*, Susan Ison:** Dark Heart Coffee has secured a new building downtown at the old Almosta building. They are going to have an outdoor patio for seating and still plan to move forward with the mural. Updates will be upcoming.
- L. *Casey at the Bat*, Jennifer Cousino:** Because Casey at the Bat was jointly purchased by the Visual Arts Commission and Parks and Rec, a replacement location must be approved by both entities. Jennifer Cousino will be meeting with Parks and Rec this month to discuss possibilities.

City Council Update

- Employee reviews have taken up the majority of the Council's time this last month. A new City Manager has been named, Steve Adams.

Information Sharing

The Annual Cherry Pie Celebration will be on Saturday evening.

Adjournment

Citing no further VAC business, Abbie Power moved to adjourn. Judy O’Gorman seconded. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting was dismissed at 6:12 pm. Length of the meeting: 1:12.