

ALBANY ARTS COMMISSION



MINUTES

Tuesday, January 14, 2025 3:30 p.m. Calapooia Room, City Hall/Hybrid Approved: 02/11/2025

Call to Order:

Keith Lohse called the meeting to order at 3:28 p.m.

Roll Call:

Members present: Keith Lohse, Nolan Streitberger, Leesa Bright, Leigh Matthews

Bock

Members absent: Maddie MacGregor (excused), Amanda Dant (excused)

Staff present: Kim Lyddane, Parks and Recreation Director; Alocia Doyle, Adult

Recreation Assistant

Others present: Peter Hinckle

Business from the Public

None.

Approval of December 10, 2024, Minutes

3:38 p.m.

MOTION: Streitberger motion to approve the minutes. Bright seconded, motion passes 4-0.

Scheduled Business

DISCUSSION ITEMS

a. Albany Arts Appreciation Award-Lohse
 3:30 p.m.
 The commission presented an Arts Appreciation Award for Eileen Hinckle. The award was accepted by her father Peter Hinckle. Peter relayed her thanks and told the commission about her journey with art. Brief discussion followed.

Introductions-Lohse
 3:40 p.m.

 Lohse brought up that there is a new commissioner and asked the commission to do introductions. The commission shared their names and what they do. Brief discussion followed.

c. Upcoming Local Art Events-Lohse

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Lohse explained this standing agenda item to Matthews Bock and answered questions. Lohse talked about an exhibit at the museum. Matthews Bock mentioned watching Mid-Valley Productions. The other commissioners did not have events to add. Brief discussion followed.

- d. Council Chamber Tapestry Change-Lohse 3:49 p.m. Bright said she looked at the tapestry and said it cannot be cleaned due to the type of thread used. Lohse said this would be a larger discussion for council, but the commission can give cleaning tips. Lyddane recommended putting this agenda item on hold. Brief discussion followed.
- e. Donated Artwork-Lyddane 3:56 p.m.
 The artist who showed in the City Hall Gallery in July donated artwork to the commission.
 Lyddane asked the group if they wanted to officially accept it. Brief discussion followed.

MOTION: Bright motioned to keep the donated artwork. Streitberger seconded, the motion passes 4-0.

f. Public Art Guidelines-Lyddane 4:06 p.m. Lyddane provided the guidelines from the previous meeting with the commission's updates and a new section to review. The commission read over the guidelines and made corrections. The commission stopped at section 3.4 and will resume at the next meeting. Brief discussion followed.

Business from the Commission

4:34 p.m.

Bright talked about the need for lighting in the gallery. The commission shared ways to better the lighting before the First Friday show on February 7th.

MOTION: Bright motioned to spend up to \$400 on lighting approvements. Matthews Bock seconded, the motion passed 4-0.

Bright also spoke on the schedule for First Fridays, the funding, and informed Lyddane they were out of snacks for the events. Lyddane said she would connect with Dant for the snacks. Bright asked to have their current grant amended so it could be used for First Fridays.

MOTION: Lohse motioned to change the Republic Services grant to First Friday's funding and gallery improvements. Bright seconded, the motion passed 4-0.

Lohse let the commission know that he submitted the report to the Linn County coalition. Lohse informed the commission he will not be returning as chair when the commission votes next month because of a new position he took in Eugene. He will try to join meetings via zoom, but he may have to leave the commission, he has not decided yet. Brief discussion followed.

<u>Staff Updates</u> 4:53 p.m.

Lyddane let the commission know there will be CAG training and to keep a look out for the save the date. Brief discussion followed.

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Next Meeting Date

The next regularly scheduled meeting is on Tuesday, February 11, 2025.

<u>Adjournment</u>

Hearing no further business, Keith Lohse adjourned the meeting at 4:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Reviewed by,

Alocia Doyle, Kim Lyddane, Adult Recreation Assistant Director

^{*}Documents discussed at the meeting that are not in the agenda packet are archived in the record. The documents are available by emailing cityclerk@albanyoregon.gov.