



ALBANY ARTS COMMISSION



MINUTES

Tuesday, August 12, 2025

3:30 p.m.

Calapooia Room, City Hall/Hybrid

Approved: 10-14-2025

Call to Order:

Nolan Streitberger called the meeting to order at 3:31 p.m.

Roll Call:

Members present: Nolan Streitberger, Leesa Bright, Erin Miller, Maddie MacGregor, Leigh Matthews Bock, Amanda Dant

Members absent: Keith Lohse

Staff present: Kim Lyddane, Parks and Recreation Director

Others present: Jim Frey

Business from the Public

3:33 p.m.

Jim Frey is an artist that does photography and portraiture. He came to encourage the commission to promote the weekend market and talk about his experience with it. Brief discussion followed.

Approval of July 8, 2025, Minutes

3:37 p.m.

MOTION: Matthews Bock made a motion to approve the minutes. Miller seconded, motion passes 6-0.

Scheduled Business

DISCUSSION ITEMS

- a. Light Capsule Update/Collaborative Tourism Program Grant-Lyddane 3:38 p.m.
Lyddane informed the commission that her, Miller, MacGregor, and Streitberger met with Craig Winslow to discuss possible locations and expenses for a light capsule project. The commission agreed that capsules would be their focus for the Tourism Program Grant.

MOTION: Bright motioned to go forward with working on a light mural with Craig Winslow for applying to the Tourism Program Grant. Miller seconded, motion passes 6-0.

Brief discussion followed.

- b. Gallery Name Nominee-MacGregor 3:52 p.m.
The commission agreed to push the gallery name nomination to next month's meeting. Commissioners were asked to prepare summaries about why they nominated their people. Brief discussion followed.
- c. Group Show Policies-Bright 3:56 p.m.
Bright mentioned past group show policies. Lyddane talked about the new process. Brief discussion followed.
- d. Artist outreach-MacGregor 4:02 p.m.
MacGregor asked the commission to step up in helping Bright with artist outreach. MacGregor asked the commission to reach out to at least five artists each. Brief discussion followed.
- e. Combined Organizational Meeting-MacGregor 4:15 p.m.
MacGregor suggested planning a meeting with other organizations that would be interested in contributing to the commission's plans and ideas. MacGregor also mentioned bringing in a facilitated strategic planner to help the commission make a good plan for the future. Lyddane gave some suggestions, including bringing in the Deputy City Manager to help to help facilitate. Brief discussion followed.
- f. Lehigh Park Sidewalk Obstacles- Lyddane 4:35 p.m.
Lyddane asked the group if they would want to paint an obstacle course on the sidewalk at Lehigh Park to compliment the sensory playground. The commissioners all showed interest. Brief discussion followed.

Business from the Commission

4:37 p.m.

Miller asked about the plans for the commissioner's show in the gallery. Bright provided the needed information. Brief discussion followed.

Staff Updates

4:41 p.m.

Lyddane informed the commission that the policy guidelines are with the legal team. Lyddane also reminded the commission of the last River Rhythms and the Northwest Art & Air Festival. Brief discussion followed.

Next Meeting Date

The next regularly scheduled meeting is on Tuesday, October 14, 2025.

Adjournment

Hearing no further business, Nolan Streitberger adjourned the meeting at 4:44 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Alocia Doyle,
Adult Recreation Assistant

Reviewed by,

Kim Lyddane,
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.