

SOUTHFIELD PUBLIC ARTS COMMISSION / December 18, 2018

Special meeting at Town Square Food & Spirits
Meeting called to order 5:37 PM

A. Roll Call:

Present: Barry (6:49 PM), Craig, Flagg, Goldstein, Kashdan, Ligan, McTaggart, Milinsky, Pixley, Pizana (5:57 PM)

Absent: Reid

Excused:

Also Present: Kyle Bryce, City Liaison; Terry Croad, City Planner; Kenson Siver, Southfield Mayor; Marilyn Troshak, Parks & Recreation

B. Approval of Agenda:

Motion to approve Agenda by McTaggart, second by Goldstein.

Approved 8-0, 5:40 PM

C. Approval of Meeting Minutes: November 20, 2018

Motion to approve November 20, 2018 meeting minutes by Goldstein, second by Ligan.

Approved 8-0, 5:41 PM

D. Announcements

- Friends of Southfield Public Arts
 - o The Mayor presented an update on the current budget status of the Friends of Southfield Public Art. The Mayor anticipates approximately \$190,000 is needed to fully complete the restoration of both Moby-Dick and the library fountain. The library board has recently approved \$100K towards this project.
 - o The Mayor presented the costs incurred for the restoration and installation of the Peacock.
 - o The Mayor recognized Yvonne for creating a Friends of Southfield Public Art letterhead and distributed copies to all present.
- Southfield Public Arts Commission
 - o The Saarinen figures are a high priority for restoration and installation this year. Carol Forsyth of the DIA will be out to inspect.
 - o The Motown Mural has been located but making a connection to the Motown Museum for a potential donation/loan has remained elusive.
 - o Flagg will spearhead an informational table for SPAC for the annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Peace Walk on January 21 from 11 AM to 2 PM. Proposed similar setup to what was at the City's 60th Anniversary event.

E. Action Plan for 2019

- Projects

- There is an estimated \$200K cost to restore and install the rest of the remaining Northland Art collection.
- Ligan has additional potential contacts to restore Saarinen pieces.
- The Bridge has been located intact in storage. Bryce, Croad and Ewick to explore feasibility of in-house transportation and installation.
- The Totem Pole has never been unwrapped since it was put in storage. Condition needs to be checked.
- Pizana to explore creation of website and Instagram for SPAC. Pixley and Flagg to examine SEO and Facebook.
- Moby-Dick installation awaits frozen (solid) ground and additional fountain work.
- The Peagusus figures are still undergoing restoration. Bryce to follow up.
- Milinsky has taken new photos for the Art Walk and is finalizing a new version of the brochure.
- Contacting the Wolverine's donor has been unsuccessful and the donation has likely been pulled.
- Veoneer is interested in leasing an art piece for its lobby and the Morris Brose piece has been suggested. Ligan has suggestion for restoration contact.
- Outreach
 - Flagg to lead table for Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Peace Walk
 - No update on status of this year's Michigan Modernism Show
 - Table at this year's Kimmie Horne Jazz Festival (August 9 and 10).
 - Pixley to lead two direct mailing pieces.
 - Mayor and Flagg to organize event at Restored Brooks Barn this summer.
 - McTaggart proposed organizing a guided Art Walk.
 - Suggestion to organize lecture on City art, potentially at the library.
 - Additional suggestions to work with Southfield Historical Society, the library and LTU students.
 - Croad suggested appearance at upcoming June 8 Crohn's & Colitis Walk.
 - Motion to accept Pixley's \$125 donation and to utilize design to be completed by Milinsky to procure placement in local ad by Kashdan, Support by Ligan. Approved 9-0 6:30 PM.
- Fundraising
 - Goals to continue to build membership of Friends of Southfield Public Arts
 - Generate funding from Brooks Barn event.
 - Generate funding from Kimmie Horne Jazz parking.
 - Food truck fee to increase.
 - Mayor may be enlisting researcher to search for grants.
 - The *Friends* still awaits its IRS donor number.

F. Adjournment

- Next meeting January 15, 2019.
- Motion to adjourn, Ligan, seconded by Goldstein. Approved 10-0, 7:01 PM.

Prepared by Kyle Bryce, City Liaison