



ANACORTES ARTS COMMISSION

Members: Karla Locke, Chair - Marius Hibbard, Betsy Humphrey, Lanny Bergner, Terry MacDonald, Laura Hamilton, Ron Smith and Lisa Rhoades

April 11, 2018

Members Present: Karla Locke, Laura Hamilton, Betsy Humphrey, Ron Smith, Marius Hibbard and Lanny Bergner.

Staff Present: Gary Robinson and Mary Snyder.

Others Present: Zachary Wight & Nikki Hamilton

Called to Order at approximately 4:02 pm.

Minutes: Minutes from the March meeting were approved as submitted.

Correspondence/Communications: Nothing to report.

Depot Artwalk: Karla reported that the April artwalk at the Depot was very busy and well received. The theme was repurposed/recycled artwork and it drew in several people. There were 6 participating artists and there were several sales. It was suggested that the same show be held next year, possibly expanding with a contest. May artwork at the Depot will feature the Salish Sea Plein Air and June will host the Fidalgo Quilter's Guild. The lighting at the depot was questioned.

Madrona Grove Sculpture Program: Nate Scott of Windermere has been contacted and their donation towards the program is in the mail. Some of the sculptures have been placed and a possible date for a reception was discussed. It was decided that Betsy will be in contact with Nate on their ideas and dates. Once all pieces are in place, Marius will photograph for signage, brochures and the website. Placement of the fabric installation by Margot Myers in the Madrona Grove was discussed and Lanny will be in contact with the artist to coordinate.

98221 Gallery: The Call to Artists has been sent out and advertised. Submissions are due back by April 30. Hanging of the artwork will be done on May 23 by Lanny and Ron. City Hall will be open for June 1 artwalk. Laura questioned the location of the sandwich boards for the event.

Leaking Vase: Laura stated that she has been working on details of the dedication ceremony of June 1 at 5:30, N Avenue Park. She questioned if the invitation from the A town brochure could be used to send out. Jane Lynn will be reading a poem and Paul Niehuas will play a flute, along with light refreshments. Laura questioned if Seastar pins could be made to raise environmental awareness of the star fish.

Postcard Art of Anacortes: Zachary Wight distributed his first postcards for a project that fosters creativity by placing blank post cards at various locations/people then draw & write/then return them. Postcards will then be visible on a dedicated site and possible physical location. Several locations for distribution were suggested.

New Business:

- Nikki Hamilton, former Mount Vernon Arts Commission member, spoke about her experiences on that board. She expressed how impressed she is with the Anacortes Arts Commission and the communication of all members.
- Betsy stated that she has been in communication with Patty from Watermark Books and she is highly interested in getting another sculpture placed in front of the store. Mary will communicate with Terri Malec on the possibility.

The next regular meeting will be held on **Wednesday, May 9, 2018 at 4:00** in the Library meeting room.

Respectfully submitted by:

Mary Snyder

Approved: 5/9/2018