



**MINUTES
CITY OF COVINGTON
ARTS COMMISSION MEETING**

Thursday, November 13, 2014

**City Hall, Council Chambers
16720 SE 271st Street, Suite 100, Covington**

CALL TO ORDER

Lesli Cohan, Chair, called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Lesli Cohan, Gini Cook, Ed White, Leslie Spero and new member Paul Selland were in attendance. (Two positions are currently open.)

CITY STAFF PRESENT

Pat Patterson

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion to approve was made by Gini and seconded by Leslie; all in favor.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Motion to approve the October 9, 2014 minutes made by Ed; seconded by Leslie; all in favor.

CITIZEN/GUEST/STAFF COMMENTS

Deborah Bagly, new resident of Covington, there to check out the “local art scene.”

CONTINUED BUSINESS

- Debriefing from joint City Council/Arts Commission meeting held on October 28th. Ed said he would write up his notes for the next meeting. Group agreed that, as usual, it was great to meet with council members and especially gratifying that they were so enthusiastic about the Commission’s choice of sculpture for the Aquatic Center.
- 2015 budget process still proceeding and our two decision cards are still in the running.
- 2015 Student Art Show. Leslie has updated the letter that will go out to docents, teachers, etc., and Rachel Leung is gathering the names of recipients. Leslie will approach the student service groups for assistance in hanging art as well as promotion. Her plan is to pair students with adults who have hung the art before. It was agreed that we will not have a reception this year as the last two were poorly attended. Art installation will take place on February 28, 2015 – March 1, 2015, and take down will be March 28, 2015.

NEW BUSINESS

- Sculpture Installation: Sara is working on the final agreement between the City and the artist, Ben Dye. The dedication event will be Saturday, December 13, 2014 with installation scheduled for the December 10, 2014 provided Ben can meet that time frame. Ed will contact him about particulars. Rachel Leung can put together ideas for the event (refreshments, etc.). Deborah agreed to produce a fund raising “thermometer” for the Aquatic Center lobby. Gini said she would visit Auburn and gather information on the wording they put on their art plaques. Pat said he would ask Karla about how best to approach the Covington Reporter folks about publicity.

CITIZEN/COMMISSIONER/STAFF COMMENTS

None

FUTURE AGENDA TOPICS

- We’ll need to select our city purchase award at the next meeting. Pat will put out the call to the rotating artists and forward selection images to Commissioners prior to the next meeting so we can speed up the process.

GROUP MEMORY

Group Memory was approved by all Commission members.

ADJOURN

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 PM