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### **MINUTES CITY OF COVINGTON SPECIAL ARTS COMMISSION MEETING**

**Thursday, July 7, 2011**

**Large Conference Room, City Hall  
16720 SE 271<sup>st</sup> Street, Suite 100, Covington**

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#### **CALL TO ORDER**

Sandy Bisordi, Chair, called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

#### **MEMBERS PRESENT**

Sandy Bisordi, Gini Cook, Ed White, Rudi Sullivan, Brienne Berg, Jonathan Combs.

#### **MEMBERS ABSENT**

Katrina Alegado.

#### **CITY STAFF PRESENT**

Pat Patterson

#### **INSPIRATIONAL THOUGHT**

For our “inspirational thought”, Ed told us about the art installation he participated in at his church over the past weekend and shared a miniature proof version of one of the sculptural pieces.

#### **CITIZEN/STAFF COMMENTS**

None

#### **APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA AND MEETING MINUTES**

A motion to approve the agenda for the July 7, 2011 meeting was made by Ed White; seconded by Brienne Berg and approved by all.

Motion to approve the minutes of the June 9, 2011 meeting was made by Ed White; seconded by Brienne Berg; approved by all.

#### **CONTINUED BUSINESS**

1. Reviewed the schedule for the Art Show. Sandy agreed to be at the show during the judging Friday morning.
2. Sandy reported that she had talked to a Kiwanis representative to verify that they will provide refreshments for the reception. She will tell them to figure on 40-50 people attending.

3. Regarding the form drafted for granting permission by an artist for the city to use images of their art: Pat had discussed with city attorney who said our drafted form was fine if we removed the checkbox for their declination as refusal to sign would take the place of that. She said to use the form this year but she'll review further for next year.
4. Art Show instructions for the commissioners have been e-mailed to each of us.
5. Instructions for the Art Show judges – only that they are not obligated to select 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place winners for all categories.
6. Art Label/Intake form: Jonathan presented a draft of a form that allowed artists to disclose the individuality of their work (as in, limited edition print, etc.). We discussed the various forms that will be available and decided that this information would be better included in an artist's statement. Group decided to have a binder at the show for the artists' statements that might be provided, and then a note can be attached to the artwork stating that such a statement is available for review. Also decided to add a space for e-mail address on the intake form.
7. Ed will make a sign to announce purchase hours.
8. Discussed whether we should take the opportunity of the show to survey artists and patrons regarding how the Art Commission could better serve both groups. Decided to keep the surveys fairly open-ended. Ed will draft two surveys and e-mail them to us for review.
9. Sandy will provide a ballot box for the People's Choice Award and survey collection.
10. Brienne asked about security since most of us will be at the show alone. Pat's response was "911". There will be not security personnel.
11. Pat stated that the school janitors need to know when to have the building locked and unlocked. They will lock and unlock according to show hours, with the exception of unlocking at 9:30 on Friday morning for the judging.
12. As show chair, Ed will prepare a brief announcement to be made during the reception.
13. Pat showed us samples of the two sizes of sandwich boards that will be used to direct patrons to the show. There will be a total of 6. Members reviewed the aerial photo of the site and decided on locations. Signs will say Covington Days Art Show and include arrows.
14. Pat gave a brief update on the entertainment portion of the Festival. He's minus a sound technician at this point as the group he thought had agreed to the job backed out.
15. Regarding the Covington public art project: Several possible locations were discussed as presented by Katrina (via earlier e-mail) and Brienne. Many of them are large blank walls on the sides of buildings. Pat reported that he had talked to the city planner who suggested that the easiest approach would be to contact the building owners about their interest in making space available for public art.
16. Furthering the topic of public art, Pat brought up the fact that the city would be celebrating the 35<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the city pool and that a budget for site improvements was currently in the works; now would be a great time to propose some sort of art for that site.
17. Decided to hold the next meeting at the pool and all members agreed to visit the site beforehand.
18. Sandy will send an e-mail to Salina regarding upcoming city projects and possible art installation locations.

19. Pat suggested that SoCo Culture is a possible resource for help.
20. Members are to review the Work Plan; Sandy is going to work specifically on the necessary timing for the next round of display artists for City Hall.
21. Gini is still working on gathering artists' information for the catalog. She'll bring a list of "missing" people to the show.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Members are to review the public art policy e-mailed to us by Pat.

### **CITIZEN/COMMISSIONER/STAFF COMMENTS**

1. No members of the public were in attendance.
2. Members are to e-mail Pat any additional hours volunteered for June above those turned in at the June 9, 2011 meeting.
3. Pat will send out a PDF of the volunteer hours form for July/August/September.

### **FUTURE AGENDA TOPICS**

None

### **GROUP MEMORY**

Group Memory was approved by all Commission Members.

### **ADJOURN**

Meeting was adjourned at 8:57 by Sandy Bisordi.