

**Public Meeting of the
Art in Public Places Advisory Board
Tuesday, March 10, 2020, 5:15 p.m.
City of Bonita Springs
9101 Bonita Beach Road, Room 118
Bonita Springs, Florida 34135**

I. ROLL CALL

Meeting called to order at 5:25 p.m.

Present

Jackie Hauserman
Janet Flanders
Jennifer Perry
Susan Bridges
Melissa Layner
Nigel P. Fullick

Staff

Councilwoman Amy Quaremba
Nicole Perino, Parks & Recreation Director

II. PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment.

III. DISCUSSION OF RELOCATION OF AWAY SCULPTURE

Mr. Fullick asked the Board if they had a chance to look for a good location for the sculpture "AWAY". Mr. Fullick recommended the area across the street from the park stating when it is done it would be an ideal location. The Board concurred. Ms. Perino made a note that she would contact the downtown association area. Ms. Perino did not know when the construction would start. Mr. Fullick recommended this topic be tabled and if nothing is done in the next 3 to 6 months, the Board will revisit.

Ms. Flanders recommended the corner where the bio reactor is located.

IV. DISCUSSION OF REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR ARTIST COTTAGE #4

Ms. Perino reported that Cottage # 4 has been advertised and the RFP has gone out; the due date is March 30, 2020, at 2 p.m. and it is listed on the website under procurement. Ms. Perino stated that the compromise the Board stipulated was to state in the RFP "Additional consideration will be given to current tenant based on their performance". Ms. Perino stated the next Art in Public Places Board meeting is April 14 and the City Council meeting is April 15. The Board decided to meet on April 7 so they can review the submissions and make a recommendation on the RFP. Ms. Perino will send out the proposals for the Board's review. Ms. Perino will invite the respondents to the April 7th meeting if they wish to present to the Board.

V. BOARD AND STAFF ITEMS:

A. INSTALLATION OF BRONZE PLAQUES FOR NEW ART PIECES

Ms. Perino reported that they have received the bronze plaques for the new piece in front of City Hall as well as “*Double Spinners*” at River Park. Ms. Perino asked Mr. Fullick to send her the information on the monuments for the plaques; Mr. Fullick stated yes and asked Ms. Perino to forward to the Board. Mr. Fullick explained that the monuments are 9 to 15 inches high.

B. UNIVERSITY OF MONTREALLO EXHIBIT CLOSING DATE

Ms. Perino reported that the closing date for the exhibit is the end of June and asked if that works for the Board. Ms. Perino reported that if the Board would like, the University would come earlier.

Ms. Perino reported the price for Professor Tanner Young’s piece is \$4,000. Regarding the student sculpture, Professor Young was going to reach out to the student to see if he wants to sell.

The Board discussed the wear on Mr. Young’s sculpture. Ms. Perino will reach out to Mr. Young regarding maintenance for the piece. Mr. Fullick asked the Board to go and look at the sculpture and be prepared to discuss at the next meeting.

At the last meeting, the Board had asked the size of the pads, Ms. Perino reported that the pads are 4 x 4 feet.

Ms. Flanders asked if they buy that piece would it stay at that location. Ms. Perino replied that the Board could make that decision. Mr. Fullick stated there are several locations where that piece would be suitable.

C. OTHER ITEMS

Ms. Perino reported that the Art in Public Places Board has \$49,139 left in the budget. So far this year, the Board has spent \$865 for the bronze plaques and \$88 for the solar lights. The Board asked about the sculpture “The Glassinator”. Ms. Perino stated it was put on hold pending the renovations being done at City Hall.

The Board discussed the sculpture, “Constructive Conversion” as a possibility.

Mr. Fullick noted they may want to look for someone to touch up “Slices of Heaven” next year. Ms. Perino would have to look at the contract to see if there are any special considerations for maintenance.

Mr. Fullick spoke about the mural on the Bonita/Estero Realtor building. Ms. Perino stated the contract had been renewed with the Bonita/Estero Realtors, but they have sold the building. Consequently, they would have to contact the new owners and the artist. Ms. Perino does not know what the plans are for that property.

Ms. Perino reported that she has received inquiries from community members asking if the City would be putting art in Community Park. Ms. Perino stated since the Board is looking for locations for art, there is a playground at Community Park and asked if the Board would consider putting something geared for children at that park. Ms. Hauserman shared a picture of a sculpture of a 7-foot tall banana on roller skates flying through space that has recently been commissioned by a major urban city. Ms. Hauserman will send Ms. Perino the information on the artist and his website.

Mr. Fullick described a sculpture he saw at the Art Festival and asked Ms. Bridges if something like that may be suitable for the City. Ms. Bridges stated it depends on where they locate it. Mr. Fullick has the artist's card and will send to Ms. Perino to look at his website. Ms. Bridges is not sure what the core metal is.

Mr. Fullick asked about the status of the Lover's Key Pavilion. Ms. Perino stated it is in preliminary talks.

Board member asked about the status of the Dixie Moon. Ms. Perino stated that renovation will take a while. The Board discussed if it could be repainted. Ms. Bridges stated that they have a painting of the Dixie Moon Café at the Center for the Arts. Ms. Bridges described the color of the Dixie Moon in the painting and thought that would be a good color.

Ms. Flanders asked about the big roundabout on Old 41 and if the surrounding property might be a location to put statues. Mr. Fullick asked if any of that was City property. Ms. Perino did not think so. The Board discussed areas in the City that might be good locations for art.

VI. DISCUSSION OF NEXT MEETING DATE – APRIL 7, 2020

The next meeting will be on **April 7, 2020**.

VII. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 11, 2020 MEETING

Ms. Hauserman made a motion to accept the minutes as corrected, Ms. Flanders seconded; all in favor, motion passed unanimously.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 6:15 p.m.


Respectfully submitted,

Nadine Chiaramonte 08-05-2020
Nadine Chiaramonte, Office Assistant

APPROVED:

Date: May 18, 2021

AUTHENTICATED:


Nigel P. Fullick, Chairman

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