## Public Meeting of the Art in Public Places Advisory Board Tuesday, February 12, 2019, 5:15 p.m. City of Bonita Springs 9101 Bonita Beach Road, Room 118 Bonita Springs, Florida 34135

## **MINUTES**

## I. ROLL CALL

Meeting called to order at 5:15 p.m.

Present

Staff

David Martin

Nicole Perino

Joanie Licitra

Amy Quaremba

Janet Flanders Nigel Fullick

Jackie Hauserman

Melissa Layner

## II. REVIEW, RANKING AND RECOMMENDATION TO CITY COUNCIL OF THE LETTERS OF INTEREST RFP 19-03 FOR ARTIST COTTAGE #1

Mr. Fullick asked the Board to go around the table with their rankings.

#### Ms. Flanders:

- 1. Aqua Rose
  - a. Glass, sculpture, jewelry art
  - b. Varied, professional, long-term plans
  - c. Lives in Bonita Springs year round
  - d. Available all weekends and events
- 2. Kristen Herzog
  - a. Painter/Acrylics
  - b. Lives in Estero
  - c. Available 2-3 days a week plus events
  - d. Demos
  - e. Initially, only wants a 4-month lease
  - f. Very good artist
  - g. Looks expensive
  - h. No pictures of work, but on internet
- 3. Gene Salerno
  - a. Artist/Painter
  - b. Full time resident

- c. Working studio/long term
- d. Open for events, did not mention other times
- 4. Kristen Pimentel
  - a. Shell art
  - b. Previous applicant
  - c. Year-round resident
  - d. Available daily as a working location
  - e. Purchases shells abroad
- 5. Yvonne Krystman
  - a. From Cape Coral
  - b. Mixed media, photos, pottery
  - c. Will use as a studio and sales
  - d. Regular opening and events
  - e. Photos of work not detailed
- 6. Super Science & Art
  - a. Workshops

### Joanie Licitra:

- 1. Does not have a 1,2,3
- 2. Had similar concerns as above
- 3. Would like to choose three to come in for presentations

#### **David Martin:**

- 1. Aqua Rose (1)
  - a. He felt it was a good mix.
  - b. There are lots of different things
  - c. He is concerned with the glass kiln
  - d. Nicole stated they would be needing very specific wiring for the kiln. As far as wiring and maintaining the kiln, they would have to pay for it.
- 2. Gene Salerno (2)
  - a. He has seen his work at the Center of the Arts
  - b. He thinks he has a unique perspective on art.
  - c. He is a resident
- 3. Kristen Herzog (2)
  - a. It would be amazing to see her work there.
  - b. She is higher end, it may not bring in the middle of the road person
  - c. It would be nice to see her working at the cottage when there are events
- 4. Did not think that Tinker Cottage was appropriate. The space is too small and storage would be an issue. It would be a great idea for another location, but not right for the cottage.
- 5. Kristen Pimentel
  - a. He was not here when she presented last time, but was not sure that would fit.
- 6. Yvonne Kristman
  - a. He wasn't sure of this one

#### Jackie Hauserman:

Aqua Rose

- a. Ms. Hauserman likes this one, except for the kiln
- 2. Gene Salerno
  - a. Would be a nice addition.

Note: She likes Aqua Rose, except for the kiln, and then Gene Salerno would be #1

- 3. Kristen Pimental
  - a. She is established
  - b. She would like to be at the Cottage
  - c. She knows there was an issue with her using starfish. Mr. Fullick said they could check with legal.
  - d. Thinks she would be a great addition to the cottages

## Councilwoman Quaremba:

- 1. Thinks it should be a working studio in some kind of reasonable time frame
- 2. Which one, from an artistic point of view, would the Board like to have there and what mix would integrate with the rest of the cottages

Mr. Fullick said to consider:

- 1. Is the art appropriate
- 2. Are they willing to abide by our desires of having a full time presence there
- 3. Abide by the terms of the lease

## Melissa Layner:

Ms. Layner had a lot of questions and feels they need to have something unique, but feels the two would appeal to people the most are:

- 1. Aqua Rose
- 2. Kristen Pimentel
- 3. Being and educator, she loves the idea of the Tinker cottage, but does not feel the space is adequate
- 4. Out of all of them, she did not see a home run/perfect fit.
- 5. Loved Mr. Salerno's work, but how available is he?

Mr. Fullick said he feels they need to compile questions and invite the artists in to present and answer questions.

- 1. Aqua Rose
- 2. Kristen Pimentel
- 3. Gene Salerno

Mr. Fullick entertained a motion to invite the three artists, Aqua Rose, Kristen Pimentel and Gene Salerno, to come to City Hall to present to the Board. Ms. Hauserman made the motion as stated, Ms. Layner seconded; motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Fullick asked the Board to go around the table with questions for the artists. Ms. Perino advised if they are going to give the artists the questions ahead of time, the questions all have to be the same for each artist. If they are going to ask individual artists questions, you can ask during their presentation.

- 1. Are you willing to commit to a one-year lease
- 2. What is the minimum time commitment on a weekly basis and during summer months
- 3. Specify how much creative time they are willing to commit

Ms. Perino will contact the three selected artists and invite them to come in to present and answer questions.

The Board decided to have a special meeting on Monday, February 25, 2019 at 5:15 for the artist presentations.

Note: Mr. Fullick spoke to artist Walter Liff and he is not opposed to putting something about Bonita Springs on the frame of his sculpture, but obviously wants to see it first.



# III. UPDATE ON THE PURCHASE OF THE THIRD LYMAN WHITAKER ART PIECE FROM RENEE TAYLOR GALLERY.

Ms. Perino reported that Council approved the third Lyman Whitaker piece for purchase at the last meeting. City Attorney, Derek Rooney, wants to make a few revisions to the agreement before it is sent to the gallery.



Mr. Fullick asked if we could send an aerial picture of where the two pieces are now and ask Mr. Whitaker for a recommendation of where to place the third piece. Ms. Perino can send him an aerial shot from a few years ago before the two new pieces went in and mark where they are located.

Mr. Fullick asked if Lee County trimmed the trees yet so you could see the park. Ms. Perino stated she would have to speak to the Department of Transportation and has not had the opportunity to do so yet.

### IV. BOARD AND STAFF ITEMS:

Ms. Perino does not have any staff items.

Mr. Fullick asked if there were any more updates from the folks at Montevallo. Ms. Perino heard from Tanner this week and he was asking about the size of the current slabs that the City currently has empty. Ms. Perino advised him if they need bigger than what the City currently has, the City can do that as well. Ms. Perino spoke to Kelli Holmes and they are still working on the agreement. Ms. Hauserman reported that the students would be coming at Spring Break and Ms. Holmes is working on organizing alumni to be present for the ribbon cutting.

## V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF JANUARY 08, 2019 MEETING

Corrections:

Second page, first paragraph under bullet items:

Change the word "they" to "the" in the following sentence:

The Board discussed the necessity of getting approval from Lee County if they the sculpture is placed at any Lee County beach.

Page 2, Item V. Under "University of Montevallo sculpture" change to "sculptures".

Page 2 - Item V. under "Art in Public Places Master Plan" Replace "City of Vale" with "town of Vail"

Mr. Martin made a motion to accept the minutes as corrected above, Ms. Flanders seconded; motion passed unanimously.

### VI. APPROVE NEXT MEETING – 3/12/19

Special meeting confirmed for Monday, February 25, 2019 at 5:15 p.m.

Next meeting confirmed for March 12, 2019.

## VII. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 6:07 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

APPROVED:

**AUTHENTICATED:** 

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