



City of Milwaukee

200 E. Wells Street
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Meeting Minutes

MILWAUKEE ARTS BOARD PUBLIC ART SUBCOMMITTEE

POLLY MORRIS, CHAIR

**Tina Klose, Emilia Layden, Sandra McSweeney, and Tim
Murphy**

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Tuesday, August 14, 2018

3:00 PM

Room 303, City Hall

Meeting convened at 3:13 p.m.

1. Roll Call

Present 4 - McSweeney, Morris, Murphy and Klose

Absent 1 - Layden

Individual also present:

Sally Witte, DCD

2. Review and Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

Meeting minutes from May 8, 2018 was approved without objection.

3. New Work Fund

- Consideration of New Applications

Ms. Witte said that there is \$60,000 in New Work funding left, which does not have to be spent.

Members discussed the 16th Street Health project application for revitalization of the Kinnickinnic River. The project is to temporarily beautify the river prior to being taken out in five years. It appears phase one of the project is fully funded (\$6700) with a matching ask to the arts board to fully fund (\$6700) phase two of the project. There doesn't seem to be any other funding source being sought for phase two. Artist engagement and selection occurred through a multi-stage process via walks and picnics. Lacking is education integration to the community. Applicant should raise more money for contingency (maintenance). The arts board should not be obligated to fund for contingency. \$3000 should go towards artists. Applicant should be invited to appear at the next meeting to address questions concerning project dimensions, lettering on the ground, water deity images, context descriptions of banner images, selection of artists, taxes being paid, and siding content.

Members discussed the Still Waters Collective soapbox project application. The project may fall under civic and performance. Half of the costs are for personnel. No artists are chosen yet. Location is an abandoned building in Lindsey Heights. Soapbox should be positioned with space to interact with the public. Applicant should be invited to appear at the next meeting to address concerns and to provide further clarification regarding manifestation of the project, what support from the arts board would help the most, different budget amounts stated in the application, the selected sites, what distinguishes the project from a project grant one, and narratives on the application.

Edward Wingard, representing Still Waters Collective, appeared and said that he is becoming more involved in the project, soapboxes are already occurring, and soapboxes are being promoted through word of mouth and social media.

- Updates on Projects

Ms. Witte gave updates. Information on the Tiefenthaler Park August 25th celebration, in the evening, will be forwarded to members. The Bells event occurred, but she did not know much about it. Jazale's Art Studio will have a splash project event this Thursday, August 16th at 1:30 p.m. at its Reader's Choice building at 1950 N. MLK Dr. There will be another event at the ARCH program house at 246 N. 4th St. The LBWN project closed up and was installed on June 27th. The Welford Sanders project is still out there, and there has not been any new update on funding. Five Points had an event over the weekend, but it is not known if the event was related to its project. The Beerline, Garden District, downtown, and Lake Valley Camp projects are finished or were already discussed previously.

Member Klose said that the engagement and selection of artists for the underpath mural project is occurring today and tomorrow.

4. Conservation Fund

- Updates on Projects

Members and staff discussed the Brady Street project to conserve the creatures on top of the MMSD building. The creatures are in bad shape and have not been taken down yet. Casablanca is buying the building. Inquiry about community engagement on the application is odd due to the project being a conservation one. The inclination is to fund the project with the level of funding to be determined. From now until the next meeting, further clarification is needed about the work to be done, property/applicant/BID ownership and relationship, written agreement between Casablanca and BID, funding for artist Bill Reed and Clark Stan, funding for and condition of the light fixture installation, entity providing ongoing maintenance, and having a maintenance budget.

5. New Business

There was no new business.

6. Old Business

There was no old business.

Meeting adjourned at 4:07 p.m.

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