



APEX PUBLIC ART COMMITTEE MONTHLY MEETING
18 December 2023
7:00pm

In Attendance

Tom Colwell
Bethany Bryant
Sean Durham
Susan Kirley
Ewan Pritchard
Lafayette Trawick
Taylor Wray, Town of Apex Staff Liaison

Absent

Brad Erickson

Call to Order – Tom
Started at 7:01pm

Approval of 20 November 2023 Meeting Minutes
Approved 1st Bethany / 2nd Susan

Town Liaison Report – Taylor

Here are the 2024 meeting dates: January 22, February 19, March 18, April 15, May 20, June 17, July 15, August 19, September 16, October 21, November 18, December 16.

Chairperson's Report – Tom
Nothing at this time.

Public Comment

One member of the public present: Marvin. He is interested in the crosswalk and bus stop project. Tom informed Marvin that the bus stops are all completed around town and that the crosswalk project will be spoken about in "Old Business." There are 10 bus stops and a lot of variety. An Otocast walk will be created for the bus stop project. Marvin also asked about what we did for the holidays. Tom spoke about the high school collaboration for the windows.

Old Business

- Video project – Taylor
 - I spoke with the gentleman who operated a projector show at this house during the Tour of Frights. He mentioned that he used two conference room style projectors with 400

lumens and brought them in at night and during bad weather. He explained the design tools he used and was open to giving more info if we needed it.

- I am not confident this style would work especially with the overall objective of crisp quality and a professional finish.
 - Only 2 bids came in for the projector project and Purchasing has awarded Avcon with the approved Purchase Order. The other bid did not meet the basics and seemed to misunderstand the project all together.
 - Next steps are to work with Parks Operation and Avcon about a blueprint for the projector stand to then sent to Planning for final approval of the project.
 - It is possible this project needs to go to council, but we are not at that point yet.
 - Tom asked if there is an opportunity to work with Avcon to meet something in between costs? Can we adjust the mapping to a larger mapping? Taylor to set up a brainstorming meeting with Frank in the early new year.
 - Tom suggested to show some visuals when we bring this to Council.
- Crosswalk Art – Sean
 - Sean will send his thumbnails and the pattern this week. He has worked through a few options.
 - This will have to go to Planning for further review. Taylor to submit this.
 - Same paint as the bus stop project.
- Sponsorships / Grants – Taylor
 - Why does the PAC feel they need a sponsorship program for the sculpture walk program?
 - Would like to be a part of the overall sponsorship PARKS program
 - To build the program larger with more pieces around town. The PAC would still ask for the same budget numbers as last years.
 - More murals or other public art pieces
 - Sponsorship would go back to the PAC program. Not to specific artists.
 - Growing in a way that allows us to have a trademark event / art event / art weekend
 - Allow some further investment from the community, businesses, and individuals.
 - Tom would like for the PAC to bring Taylor more thoughts by Friday, December 22.
 - There may be state limitations since this is a Council appointed group. The Town Clerk is researching this information.
 - Further review (with this feedback) will be completed by the Finance, Legal, and Budget offices.
- Apex Sculpture Walk IV - Tom
 - We met last Monday to vote on the sculpture/artist line up for this.
 - Taylor working on this: Contacts pending for Tom's proposed new locations. Tom will start the dialogue once we get the info.
 - PAC would like to expand this year's show to 11 sculptures pending locations and cost.
 - Taylor to inform all parties of their acceptances and waitlists with additional locations / denied. Taylor to CC Tom on these.
- Murals – Near Compare Foods (Susan), West Street Park (Tom)

- Susan went to Compare Foods. She met Ceaser Valdez, GM of the store. Thinks it is a great idea and going to talk to his business partner. She explained that we would be recruiting Hispanic artists. Susan will follow up with him this week.
 - Add something along this line for the budget.
 - Susan asked if the GM should be involved in the choosing of the piece and Tom said not the whole process.
 - This would be a selection artist process, not an open call for artists.
 - Bethany asked if we should apply for a United Arts grant.
 - Pitch: panels would be placed onto the fence at Compare Foods
 - West Street Park Project would like to involve art. Tom reached out to Angela in PRCR. This project will take some time.
 - Tom would like to add this to this year's budget
- Budget – Tom
 - Tom would like for the PAC to bring Taylor more thoughts until Friday, December 22.
 - Sean mentioned another community paint by numbers possibly for PeakFest.
 - “Manhole cover” paintings – Have done this in the past at the parks.

New Business

- Sculpture Purchase – recommendation – Taylor
 - PAC would like to recommend that Council purchase a sculpture from the 2023-2024 pieces. This is recommended with the understanding that it is not guaranteed.
 - Table this until the January 2024 meeting
- Lafayette is an admin for the Apex Community Forum. He would like to use his platform to push out more PAC info to the community.

Motion to Adjourn

Approved 1st Sean/ 2nd Ewan

Ended at 7:57pm