

**Hailey Arts Commission**  
**July 2, 2009**  
**Meeting Minutes**

**Commissioners Present:** Mark Johnstone, Jim Spinelli, Andrew Lewis, Jessica Miller, Kelli Young, Joe Castle, Erica Niemi

**Commissioners Absent:** None

**City Staff Present:** Tracy Anderson

## **Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 4:20 p.m.

Johnstone mentioned changes to the public meeting law which took effect July 1, 2009. The main point affecting the commission is that an item of business may not be discussed if it is not on the agenda. There must either be a motion made to amend the agenda that includes a good faith reason why the item was not included in the original agenda posting, or the item must be placed on the next agenda.

## **Minutes**

Castle made a motion to approve the June 4, 2009 meeting minutes. Spinelli seconded. Minutes were unanimously approved.

## **Welcome to New Commissioner**

Mark welcomed Erica Niemi as a new commissioner. Niemi gave a brief background, and all commissioners and city staff introduced themselves with a brief background, as well.

## **Old Business**

### **J.C. Fox Building Mural**

Anderson stated there was nothing new to report on the mural. There are four grant applications pending, and no word has yet been received on any of them.

### **Welcome to Hailey Sign**

Anderson reported on discussion with Tom Hellen, city engineer and public works director, regarding potential sites for sign. Two potential sites were identified by Hellen: the ITD right of way south of the light at Fox Acres Road, and the grassy strip that lies between the Roberta McKercher Park dump station and the highway. The commissioners discussed the pros and cons of each site, with safety concerns being stated regarding the ITD right of way location. The Roberta McKercher location would require coordination with the Parks & Lands Board, and the ITD right of way location would require an ITD permit. Mention was made of potential sites farther south, closer to the city limit. No site was formally selected.

Spinelli asked who the Chamber of Commerce should make the check out to for the sign project. Anderson stated it should be made out to the Hailey Public Art Fund.

## **A Month of Art / A Night of Music**

Castle noted the sculptures are all in place. Johnstone noted the Night of Music posters are complete and asked for volunteers to help hang them; there are more than a dozen venues. A number of commissioners took posters to hang. There will be a second poster for the Art Walk; which has approximately 20 venues.

Lewis will call a number of the Art Walk venues to inquire whether they want music.

Lewis asked about sandwich boards for the venues; Johnstone stated that Cindy Ward is loaning those to the commission. Johnstone, Lewis and Niemi will make up the boards.

Johnstone mentioned that there should be a de-brief once A Month of Art/Night of Music is concluded; de-brief to include discussion of Wood River Arts Alliance suggestion that perhaps a storefront show format should be used rather than teaming artist with businesses.

## **NRFF Booth**

Johnstone reported running into a stall with the booth. We have been unable to secure the space due to the non-profit charge of \$200. The commission does not have that \$200 in its budget, and felt it might be difficult to make a good profit on booth sales. Recently, the NRFF was granted an exemption, through ordinance, regarding paying park use fees for the festival. So there is also a question about the NRFF board's decision to collect this booth fee from the city. No formal decision made regarding participation, but potential to participate at this late date is low.

## **New Business**

### **2009/2010 Budget**

Anderson introduced the budget, and Johnstone explained that the usual allocation for commissions and boards is \$1,000. He went on to explain that we are asking for \$2,000; the extra \$1,000 is to pay for public art training of commissioners by Karen Bubb and to produce an arts commission brochure.

Anderson explained the allocation requests on the budget form, including making the funding for the sign project contingent on final funding of identified capital projects. If the identified capital projects are funded, and the allocation of percent for art funds is approved as requested, then the commission would need to raise an additional \$1,500 for the sign project. That could potentially be achieved through an Idaho Commission on the Arts Quick Fund grant.

Spinelli made a motion to approve the 2009/2010 budget. Young seconded. Motion passed unanimously. Budget request will be forwarded to City Council.

## **Proposed Agenda Items for Next Meeting**

Three new business items for next meeting: 1) mural guidelines, 2) rodeo grounds master plan, and 3) performing arts and art exhibitions at The Mint or redesigned and remodeled Drug Store.

## **Adjourn**

Spinelli made a motion to adjourn the meeting; Castle seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 5:15 p.m.