

**Arts Commission Meeting
Friday, July 7, 2006 5:30 pm
Hailey City Hall**

Denise Simone, Mark Johnstone, Carol Brown (Council Liaison)

Future meeting dates

August 15, 2006, Tuesday at 9am at City Hall

3rd Tuesday at 9am at City Hall

September 19

October 17

November 21

December 19

Roles

Carol briefly went over how a Commission for the City of Hailey operates. Carol is the Council liaison. As the Commission gets up to full-speed, her role will be in the background while they take off. All Commission members serve at the pleasure of the Mayor. Their job is to promote the Arts in Hailey. That can be through sponsoring art events, recommendations on ordinances, and education about the Arts.

Parks Art Grant

There is a grant currently available for Arts for Public Places. The Arts Commission is working through the Hailey Parks & Lands Board on this grant for the new Woodside Central Park. They identified a need to have a focus to this art proposal grant in order to be more successful in obtaining the grant. They will discuss this with the Parks Board next week. (e.g. focus on benches, garbage cans, bike racks =or= focus on art for the entry ways into the park, etc.)

They suggested limiting the “call for artists” to Blaine County. Travel time for the selected artists can really add up if we must pay them. We have a sufficient pool of artists here in the Valley who can compete. There will have to be a “pre-application” meeting with artists who plan to compete. This meeting lays out what the focus of the art should be, any restrictions, etc. It’s a time for questions & answers.

The City of Ketchum is also competing for this grant. The grant is not limited to one per district; this grant goes to the best applications regardless of location. In theory, both Ketchum & Hailey could be recipients of the grant, if they are well-written.

Denise will work with Becki Keefer (Parks staff) and Tracy Anderson on this grant. (Heather Dawson has offered Tracy’s services in grant writing.)

Miscellaneous Items

Carol agreed to e-mail the by-laws (final) to the Commission members that were approved at the City Council. Carol also to e-mail the Art Gift Policy (which is within the Hailey Parks Master Plan) to the Commission for their review.

The Commission wanted to hold off on goal-setting until all Commission members were appointed.

The Commission discussed recommendations to give to Mayor McBryant for the remaining Board seats. Denise and Carol will follow-up to see if possible candidates are interested in having their names submitted to the Mayor for possible appointment.

The Commission discussed:

- Arts web page (linked from the City website);
- Either building or linking to an Artist database;
- Inviting Alissa McGonigal from the Artist's Market to speak to them;
- Day of the Dead festival in the fall. This is a traditional Hispanic festival held in the cemetery to honor the dead. Carol suggested they contact the Cemetery District prior to any planning.