Attending Commissioners: Mark Johnstone, R.L. Rowsey, Linda Packer, Jim Spinelli, Jim Keating. Absent: Joe Castle
City of Hailey: Tracy Anderson

Meeting was called to order by Johnstone at 4:15. There were no minutes from the meeting in March due to lack of a quorum.

Old Business:
Bike Art: On June 24th the Wood River Bike Coalition and Mountain Rides are planning a Bike Around, which will be open to the public to look at the Bike Art that is planned for 6 locations in Hailey and coordinated by the Wood River Arts Alliance. A map will be created to identify the locations of the bike art. The planned locations are the bike path, Power House, open grounds of the Village at Hailey Center (old Forest Service buildings on Main Street), Sturto’s, Sun Summit and SVCA Hailey House. The film “Breaking Away” will be shown at the SVCA Hailey House at the reception for Bike Art and kick-off of the “Month of Art”. The art will be up for 8 weeks.

Night of Music is July 11th. Dana DuGan is coordinating the bands and their locations.

Day of Chalk is July 14th. Commissioner Rowsey will try to get musicians to play. Students will be difficult because of the time of year, but he will look at all options. Sheila Kelly is organizing the Day of Chalk activities. Parking will be blocked off on the side of the street that the art will be drawn (east side of Main from Bullion to Croy). There will be outreach to the schools and kids before the school year ends.

Commissioner Keating stated that Community Campus is open to having art work.

Commissioner Johnstone would like the commission to partner with as many art organizations as possible. Commissioner Rowsey mentioned the Company of Fools would be a good organization to approach.

Hailey Citizen’s Readiness Center Mural: The mural will be in the remodeled Armory. Ralph Harris is designing the mural and volunteers will paint it in May. The grand opening is scheduled for Memorial Day weekend. The Arts Commission will help recruit volunteers and promote it, but otherwise is not involved.

Volunteer Recruitment: A time bank will be established with names of people that want to volunteer in the community. Spinelli is working with Kim Masek and Jima Rice to organize it.

New Business:
Blaine County Veterans Memorial Tribute Project. The project is to recognize and pay tribute to men and women who served in the armed services, past present and future. It will have an educational aspect for children.

John Valenzuela’s name will be presented to the council for appointment to the commission. Joe Castle’s commission expires in June, and an additional member is needed. The opportunity will be announced in Our Town and in the Mountain Express.

Meeting times are changed! We will meet at 8:00 AM the first Thursday of the month.

Woodside Blvd. Bike Rack Artists: Commissioner Keating sat on the selection committee and stated that it was a great process and all the applicants were very good. Three artists (Nate Galpin, Jason Georgiades, Mark Sheehan) were chosen to be presented to the Commission. A motion was made and seconded for approval of the selection. Each artist will do 3 different bike racks. The artist not chosen for the bike racks will be invited to participate in the Bike Art sculpture project. The artists will have until 2012 to complete the bike racks.

Commissioners Reports:
Arts Commission Brochure. Commissioner Packer distributed the preliminary design, and commented that Mark Stasz’s sculpture in front of Lost River Sports will be removed from the brochure. He wishes to donate it to the city, and there is a possibility of it being relocated to Community Campus. It can be added at a later date when decision is made with artist.

Window Images: Commissioners Spinelli and Rowsey will be following up on this project of placing art in empty storefronts. Spinelli will contact President of the Board of Realtors.

Commissioner Keating will have a conversation on public art to be located at the Community Campus and along the Bike Path. Based on results he will then make a formal proposal to the Hailey Arts Commission.

Fund Raising: Commissioner Keating stated we need to have everything in place before we approach any future donors. We need to be methodical in the process, have a vision of the commission and what the role will be in 10 years. Additional funds are still needed for all the art at the rodeo grounds.

Just Bag it: Application for this temporary public art project has a deadline of April 22nd. Commissioner Rowsey will sit on the selection committee.

Motion was made to adjourn meeting at 5:55 pm by Commissioner Rowsey, seconded by Commissioner Spinelli.

Linda Packer