

Minutes of the Hailey Arts Commission
Thursday, September 1, 2011

Commissioners attending: John Valenzuela, Jim Spinelli, Mark Johnstone, Linda Packer.

Missing: Tracy Anderson, City of Hailey, Jim Keating, R.L. Rowsey.

Guest: Bob Wiederrick

Meeting was called to order at 8:05 by Commissioner Johnstone.

Public Comment: Bob Wiederrick created a double side bicycle sculpture which is on display in Ketchum. The sculpture is for sale and Paris, Texas is interested in the sculpture. However, the artist would hate for it to leave the Wood River Valley and presented to the commission an opportunity to purchase it. The price of the sculpture is \$8500.00. This is an opportunity for us to partner with the Chamber of Commerce to do fundraisers for the purchase. This is also an opportunity to include the bicycle shops (Power House, Sturto's). The artist is willing to wait for our decision. He also made the same offer to Ketchum.

Old Business:

Budget 2012: We have the money until the end of September 2011 for the Fox Mural. Commissioner Valenzuela commented on the use of the wall since it now being covered up by plans for the Woodside Blvd. development. Commissioner Spinelli stated that the money that we would lose if not used for the mural would be going to outside agencies rather than those within the City of Hailey. The Commissioners came to the decision that donated money totaling \$2000.00 for the mural cannot be returned to the donors as it would not reflect positively on the Commission. Commissioner Johnstone requested a motion to go forward with the mural and contact artist Ralph Harris. Motion was made by Commissioner Spinelli, seconded by Commissioner Packer, and motion was passed unanimously. Commissioner Spinelli will contact Ralph Harris and get him under contract by the end of September, 2011.

Public Art Plan: Commissioner Jim Keating is formulating the plan, so further discussion is deferred.

New Business:

Arbor Day Celebration: Celebration is scheduled for May 5, 2012. We have been approached to organize sculpture carvings from tree stumps at Hop Porter Park.

Commissioners/Staff Reports: Requesting outside comments on art in the Interpretive Center at the Rodeo Grounds.

Discussion or Topics for next Agenda:

Mural

Budget 2012: What are we looking at.

Public Arts Plan: Commissioner Keating.

Strategic Plan: Commissioner Rowsey.

Motion made to adjourn at 8:45 by Commissioner Packer, seconded by Commissioner Spinelli.

Linda Packer