

Hailey Arts Commission
Minutes – December 1, 2011

Commissioners Attending: R.L. Rowsey, John Valenzuela, Jim Spinelli, Linda Packer

City of Hailey: Tracy Anderson, Heather Dawson

Absent: Jim Keating, Mark Johnstone

Guest: Carol Brown, Hailey City Council

Meeting was called to order at 8:00 by Commissioner Rowsey. Minutes of November meeting were approved, motion made by Commissioner Packer, seconded by Commissioner Valenzuela.

No public comment.

Old Business:

Aluminum Recycling Program:

Heather Dawson of the City of Hailey informed us that there is a problem with the recycling aluminum because of the waste franchise contract. The franchise agreement states that another hauler cannot come in and haul the aluminum from the site because the aluminum is a “commodity;” commodities are part of the franchise agreement. If the aluminum was self hauled out of the city then there would not be a problem. However, Ms Dawson stated that any type of fund raising done by HAC is acceptable by the City of Hailey, just not aluminum hauled by another company.

Commissioner Rowsey asked if the City of Hailey has a charitable gifting policy. Ms Dawson replied that the city was looking into it.

Stumpfest: (Carol Brown)

Because of difficulties with funding and organization, the stumps in Hop Porter Park will remain unadorned, (not carved).

Arbor Day Celebration:

May 5th is Arbor Day and a festival at Hop Porter Park is planned. Possible art competition in the schools, and it would be desirable to have student art displayed in businesses in conjunction with the celebration.

Commissioner Rowsey asked if a demonstration of stump carving could occur, rather than HAC commissioning a stump carving. He also suggested that a music performance could be included with appropriate music selections. The Environmental Club from the High School and opportunities for Senior Projects should be considered in the Arbor Day Celebration. Ms. Anderson stated using the construction and design academies at the High School is a possibility when designing a new archway for Hop Porter Park.

Strategic Plan:

Commissioner Rowsey will present it in January's meeting. He is working on roles for the commissioners. It will be a broad plan which will include working procedures and a task list for the commissioners.

WRAA report:

The Arts Alliance will be putting a presentation together on the impact of art in the Wood River Valley. The presentation will be to all the City Councils and Sun Valley Company.

New Business:

The election of officers is in January. Commissioners Johnstone, Spinelli and Packer's terms will be expiring in June. Commissioner Packer can be recommissioned for an additional 2 years upon submitting a letter of interest to the Mayor, and approval by the Mayor and City Council.

We need to get new members recruited so that there is an overlap and the new commissioners understand the planning process. Possible new commissioners are: Bob Weidrick, Janice Walton, Tim Black, Alyssa O'Clason and Kim Gasenica.

Reports:

Tracy Anderson updated us on the Interpretive Center in the Rodeo grounds. A building permit will be issued the middle of December and then it will be go out to bid with construction starting in the spring. The construction should be finished within a year, and the Chamber of Commerce will share the building. Funding is needed for exhibits in the center.

Woodside Boulevard Project:

The funding for the artist designed bike racks is still in place; however, nothing more will be done until the project is finalized. The artists have received money for the work that has been done.

Motion was made at 9:10 to adjourn by Linda Packer, seconded by John Valenzuela.

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