

**LAKE STEVENS ARTS COMMISSION (LSAC)**

Meeting Minutes: January 24, 2018  
Visitor Information Center  
10020 Lundeen Parkway, Lake Stevens

CALL TO ORDER: 6:36 p.m.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Steven Apodaca, Holly Forbis, Sara Brown, Linda Ehmen, Bridget Scott and Kate Wyant

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT: Kathy Kruse and Gisela Hinchcliffe, Emeritus Member

OTHERS PRESENT: Jim Haugen, Parks and Recreation Coordinator, Terry Meyer, Chamber of Commerce Visitor's Center

**Roll Call:** Moved by Commissioner Forbis, seconded by Commissioner Brown, to excuse Commissioner Kruse from the meeting. On vote the motion carried (6-0-0-1).

**Approval of Minutes:** Moved by Commissioner Ehmen, seconded by Commissioner Forbis, to approve the minutes of the January 10, 2018 meeting.

Commissioner Ehmen requested the following corrections to the January 10, 2018 meeting minutes: At page 1, remove the section "Youth Committee" as it is redundant, at page 2, in the paragraph Facebook and Internet Presence, correct the spelling of Commissioner Ehmen's name in the first line of the paragraph.

**VOTE:** On vote the motion to approve the January 10, 2018 minutes, with the noted corrections, carried (6-0-0-1).

**Guest Business:**

**Drawing Dinosaurs:** Terry Meyer reported on the event, and said that 27 people participated. Participants made cookies, had toys, were provided with facts on dinosaurs, and received signed posters from the artist (Jack Hiatt). Commissioner Ehmen offered Commission assistance for a possible longer event that was requested by participants.

**Discover Lake Stevens Expo:** This event is April 21<sup>st</sup>, 2018 from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. The Arts Commission will need to register for the event to participate.

**Community Education:** Pie decorating and cupcake decorating classes are scheduled. Commissioner Ehmen asked to tie the event to local historical or cultural themes if participation from the commission is requested and suggested ideas about tribal activities and the use of berries in pies.

**Discussion/Action Items:**

**Community Garden Shed Art Project:** Commissioner Ehmen said that due to the holidays and absences there is no current action. She anticipated installation will be completed by May 1, 2018.

**Coordinate Meeting with Parks Commission:** Discussed in conjunction with New Business, below.

**Facebook & Internet Presence:** It was discussed that the Arts Commission needs to have a better online presence. The Commission will try to tie into the Parks page and establish an event page calendar. Discussion included possibly adding past activities to the web page, specifically including the roundabouts. Commissioner Brown suggested developing a hashtag, #LSArtsComm.

**MOTION:** Moved by Commissioner Forbis, seconded by Commissioner Scott, to develop a hashtag, #LSArtsComm. On vote the motion carried (6-0-0-1).

**Mural Presentation:** No updates at this time.

**Standing Committee Reports:**

**Community Outreach, Marketing/Publicity:** Commissioner Apodaca said that Commissioner Kruse advised the rack card is in final proof; he will request she add the new hashtag.

**Movies in the Park:** Coordinator Haugen advised Bourne Orthodontics is not interested in sponsoring a movie this year. He updated that the current park design process is looking at power pedestals where needed and grading of areas for risers and movie set up. Commissioner Apodaca requested to be involved with this process as he has experience with this.

**Movie by the Lake:** Commissioner Apodaca reported the Lake Stevens High School auditorium was considered for this July 7<sup>th</sup> event, but holds only 300 people inside. He suggested moving the event outside and making it larger. Discussion included use of red, white and blue them colors because the event is close to the 4<sup>th</sup> of July. The subcommittee will bring new ideas to the next meeting. Commissioner Apodaca has contacted a professional about producing a video of this performance.

Commissioner Apodaca provided a list of requested audio equipment to improve the sound at the Halloween and Winterfest activities. Discussion ensued, and Commissioner Ehmen suggested reviewing the cost/benefit of hiring a professional who brings their own equipment. Commissioner Apodaca explained there is a benefit for having equipment as well as the ability to hire based on size of the event and community need. Commissioner Ehmen requested the budget be reviewed and the City be asked to aid in purchasing some of the equipment, and added that purchase of equipment would significantly reduce funds to support the Music by the Lake events. Coordinator Haugen noted that a capital budget request has been made for equipment.

Commissioner Ehmen said that she attended the subarea plan meeting related to Downtown Development on January 17, 2018 and shared what she learned. Coordinator Haugen added that the State approved funding \$3.1 million for this project.

**Theater in the Park:** Commissioner Scott agreed to take on this event for 2018, and Commissioner Forbis agreed. There was discussion about holding this event at Eagle Ridge Park; one theater event is budgeted for 2018.

**Youth Activities:** Commissioner Wyant contacted the Boys and Girls Club for feedback on what events youth would like to see in the community. Suggestions included a Haunted House. Commissioner Wyant is working with the Boys and Girls Club to see how this can be accomplished, with one possibility being that a Haunted House is built by the youth at the Boys and Girls Club.

**Special Committee Reports:**

**Arts & Parks Foundation Scholarship:** No update at this time. The next meeting of the committee is scheduled for April 12, 2018.

**Youth Mentoring:** No update at this time.

**New Business:**

**“Heartbeatsoundsystem” Silent Dance Party:** There was discussion about who would take this event on. It was suggested that this event be put together by the Arts and Parks Foundation, the Parks Board and the Arts Commission, and that it could provide revenue for the Arts and Parks Foundation. Coordinator Haugen and Terry Meyer will discuss this with the foundation, and Commissioner Apodaca suggested discussing this event at the joint meeting with the Parks Board.

**Agenda for Joint Meeting with Parks & Recreation Board on February 12, 2018:** Commissioner Apodaca said the Arts Commission will ask permission for usage of Lake Stevens parks for planned events this year. Commissioner Ehmen suggested offering to assist with recreational projects in conjunction with the Parks and Recreation Board, so the Arts commission can focus on artwork-related activities. Commissioner Ehmen also suggested presenting information on parks gathered from across the world in an effort to improve Lake Stevens’ park environments. She will try to make this available to the Arts Commission for review prior to the joint meeting.

**Adjourn:**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:52 p.m.

  
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Sara Brown, Secretary