

LAKE STEVENS ARTS COMMISSION (LSAC)

Meeting minutes: April 25, 2018

Visitors Information Center

10020 Lundeen Park, Lake Stevens

CALL TO ORDER: 6:40 p.m.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Steve Apodaca, Holly Forbis, Linda Ehmen, Bridget Scott

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT: Kate Wyant, Kathy Kruse

OTHERS PRESENT: Teresa Meyers, Planning and Community Development Department; Jim Haugen, Parks & Recreation Coordinator (7:15 p.m.)

Roll Call: Moved and seconded to excuse Kate Wyant from the meeting. On vote the motion carried (4-0-0-2).

Approval of Minutes:

Moved by Commissioner Ehmen, seconded by Commissioner Forbis to approve the Minutes of the April 11, 2018 meeting. On vote the motion carried (4-0-0-2).

Guest Business: None.

Discussion / Action Items:

Business Expo Evaluation: Commissioner Apodaca provided a recap of the Business Expo and said it was very successful. He complimented Commissioner Wyant on successfully involving the children and others, including vendors, in the activities that were offered. Discussion ensued regarding the possibility of using the theatrical group, "Ludus," in next year's summer programming. Conversation then turned to Last Leaf Productions, and the use of comment cards to obtain feedback to evaluate what audiences want to see, which was a very good tool last year. Also discussed was using fundraising through the Arts and Parks Foundation to help fund some of the summer programming. Also at the Expo, there was a sign up for volunteers to assist with this summer's events, which gathered some response. It was suggested that the Expo next year could be utilized to gather volunteer names, and that table location impacts how much response is received.

Facebook & Internet Presence: Commissioner Apodaca said at the Expo the people he talked with asked about a Facebook page. It was suggested a Facebook page could run through the Arts and Parks Foundation, but that also the Arts Commission needs its own Facebook page. Commissioner Apodaca said he would continue to work with the City to put an Arts Commission Facebook page in place.

Standing Committee Reports:

Community Outreach, Marketing/Publicity: Discussion turned to marketing and how it can be improved. The rack cards still need to be completed. There was discussion about the programming dates and there will be one poster with all dates and activities on it.

Movies in the Park: Commissioner Scott is waiting to hear from Jim Haugen about the movie selection. This needs to occur before the movies can be advertised.

Music by the Lake: Commissioner Apodaca said the tent and awning have been reserved. The stage needs repair and the City is working on this. It was discussed that tiers could be used to augment the stage, but the major concern is the quality of the stage surface, which might be able to be covered with interlocking pads.

Commissioner Apodaca said the Air Force will be meeting with him and Jim Haugen on May 15 to evaluate the possible venue sites.

Group activities during the music events were discussed, including have an Apple Pie contest and using an Americana theme; activities need to be geared to involving the community. Also, the beer and wine will be continued, and the Buzz Inn has been contacted about possibly providing food again this year.

New Events/Projects: Commissioner Ehmen and Sara Brown met with City officials about mural ideas. The ideas were well received and especially liked was the banner idea. All ideas were designed to last approximately two years. (Jim Haugen, Parks & Recreation Coordinator, arrived at 7:15 p.m.)

Garden Shed Mural: Commissioner Ehmen requested that Mr. Haugen purchase the plywood, together with other materials to move this project forward.

Theater in the Park: Commissioner Scott confirmed the theater dates and plays are August 12, Twelfth Night, and August 26, King Lear. The theater events will be at Eagle Ridge Park.

Youth Activities: No update.

Special Committee Reports

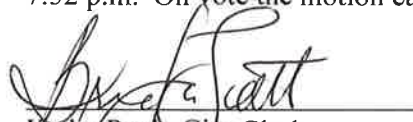
Arts & Parks Foundation Scholarship: Commissioner Forbis said the scholarship information is at the high school. There was discussion that the special meeting to review scholarship applications will be on Saturday, May 12 at 9:00 a.m. at the Visitor Information Center.

City Murals: Discussed above.

Youth Mentoring: No update.

New Business: Commissioner Scott said she is working with Commissioner Kruse on a silent auction fundraiser to be scheduled in the fall. They think the event will be black tie and are working on a venue and collecting donations.

Adjourn: Moved by Commissioner Ehmen, seconded by Commissioner Scott, to adjourn the meeting at 7:52 p.m. On vote the motion carried (4-0-0-2).


Kathy Pugh, City Clerk

Bridget Scott, Secretary