

ARTS COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

August 14, 2019

1812 Main Street, Lake Stevens

CALL TO ORDER: 6:33 p.m.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Linda Ehmen, Bridget Scott, Jim Haugen, Daniel Johnson, and Laura Katz

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT: Kate MacKenzie

OTHERS PRESENT: Councilmember Todd Welch, Parks Planning & Development Coordinator Jill Meis, Deputy City Clerk Adri Crim

Chair Ehmen called the meeting to order at 6:33 p.m.

Roll Call: Commissioner MacKenzie was absent from the meeting.

Introduction of New Members: The new Commissioners Jim Haugen, Daniel Johnson, and Laura Katz introduced themselves and gave some of their background information.

Approval of Agenda: Moved by Commissioner Haugen, seconded by Commissioner Scott, to approve the agenda. On vote the motion carried (5-0-0-0).

Approval of Minutes: Moved by Commissioner Scott, seconded by Commissioner Katz, to approve the July 10, 2019 meeting minutes as presented. On vote the motion carried (5-0-0-0).

Guest Business: None.

Discussion/Action Items: Commissioner Ehmen said this Friday evening there is a 'Movies in the Park' event at Lundeen Park and on Sunday there is a 'Theater in the Park' at Eagle Ridge Park.

Standing Committee Reports:

Music by the Lake: Coordinator Meis said there were some technical difficulties, but the events were well attended and loved by the community.

Movies in the Park: Commissioner Haugen said there were some miscommunications with the getting the advertisement published in the newspaper, but they were able to publish it online through the Heralds website. He said the movie this weekend is Spiderman: Into the Spider-Verse and there will be cotton candy, frozen yogurt and popcorn handed out. He also said there will be a Spiderman in costume attending the event and trivia games prior to the showing.

Theater in the Park: Commissioner Ehmen said she spoke with the contact from the Theater and they prefer there not be any activities prior to the show as they do not want there to be any distraction from their performance.

Commissioner Haugen asked that additional posters be made to help advertise the events more.

Yoga by the Lake: Coordinator Meis said Yoga by the Lake was well attended and there was a great representation of all ages and genders in attendance.

Marketing/Promotional: Commissioner Katz said she would like to be involved in the process of helping design marketing and promotional material.

Community Outreach: Commissioner Katz said she would like to be involved in this process.

Commissioner Ehmen thanked the new Commissioners for volunteering to be part of the commission and the community.

Commissioner Johnson asked if the City has thought about having corporate sponsorships for events.

Coordinator Meis explained the City has local sponsorships to help fund the events.

Councilmember Welch explained the Council discussed the opportunity for expanding events at their mini retreat. He explained that funding is a concern and any additional corporate sponsorships would help alleviate that burden from the City.

New Projects: Commissioner Ehmen said the Historical Society is working on developing content to be displaying in the new Pavilion.

Coordinator Meis said she would reach out to the Historical Society to see if they have any new information they would like to present to the Arts Commission.

Special Committee Reports: None.

New Business: Commissioner Ehmen said there are events for both Halloween and Christmas and the City will direct the Commission on how they would like them to participate in those events.

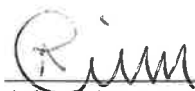
Coordinator Meis reviewed some of the rules of the open public meetings act and mentioned if anyone has any questions they can reach out to herself or the City Clerk, Kathy Pugh.

Coordinator Meis explained the City hosts a Family Safe Halloween Festival in the downtown area each year with many different activities planned and the Arts Commission is invited to participate in the event.

Coordinator Meis said staff has started planning for the Winterfest events and asked the Commission to start thinking about the Music for the event.

Commissioner Ehmen suggested the Evergreen Choir and a music event during Winterfest and they may be a good partnership for future events as well.

Adjourn: Moved by Commissioner Scott, seconded by Commissioner Haugen, to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 p.m. On vote the motion carried (5-0-0-0).



Adri Crim, Deputy City Clerk