

**CITY OF OAK HARBOR
ARTS COMMISSION MINUTES
MARCH 9, 2023 REGULAR MEETING**

This hybrid meeting was hosted in the Mayor’s Conference Room at City Hall and recorded through RingCentral.

1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Chair Kingsbury called the meeting to order at 4:00 pm

Position	Commission Member	Attendance
Position 1	Karla Freund	Present (arrived at 4:18 pm)
Position 2	JR Russell	Present
Position 3	Mary Himes	Present
Position 4	Joanna Hanson	Excused
Position 5	Cynthia Mason	Present
Position 6	Vacant	
Position 7	Therese Kingsbury	Present
Alternate	Vacant	
Ex Officio	Councilmember Eric Marshall	Present

CITY STAFF PRESENT: Parks and Recreation Director Brian Smith, Executive Assistant Macalle Finkle, Senior Services Administrator Liz Lange, Archeologist Gideon Cauffman

Committee Member Mason **MOVED**, Ex-officio Marshall **SECONDED** moved to excuse Karla Freund and Joanna Hanson. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

2. ELECTION OF CHAIR/VICE CHAIR

JR Russell was selected as Chair and Cynthia Mason was selected as Vice Chair.

3. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a. Meeting of January 12, 2023

Vice Chair Mason **MOVED**, Ex-officio Marshall **SECONDED**, approval of the January 12, 2023 meeting minutes. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

5. PUBLIC COMMENT

Brian Olsen spoke in favor of installing an art piece on the cement block in the harbor, opining that a silhouette would be a good fit.

Director Smith read into the record a public comment from Kirk and Andrea Nord regarding Dowdle Art Community Opportunity.

6. PRESENTATIONS, REPORTS AND DISCUSSION ITEMS

- a. Current Projects Report of Next Steps

Archaeologist Gideon Cauffman reported on the status of the Kinnebrew Collection, advising that he was scheduled to meet with the project manager from P & L General Contracting to discussion

installation of Meditation and Temple Blue, and was also working on the professional service agreements with Superior Systems for both pieces. He stated that a site visit to Flintstone Park had been scheduled to evaluate placement options for the Angel de la Creatividad sculpture. Discussion ensued regarding the additional expenses associated with the newly selected location as well as the possibility of relocating the existing flagpole in Flintstone Park.

- b. Arts Planning – Review of Powers and Duties, Priorities, and short- and long-range goals (hear after item c.)

Director Smith reviewed the powers and duties of the Arts Commission as set forth in Chapter 2.29, OHMC. He shared a sample planning worksheet and further explained the proposed process for development of the Commission’s goals and priorities.

Discussion by Commission Members ensued with support to move forward with the planning effort.

- c. Wearable Art Show (heard before item b.)

Senior Services Administrator Lange provided a brief overview of the April 22 Wearable Art Show, noting the theme for 2023 was foliage.

7. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS AND FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Vice Chair Mason inquired about the status of the utility box wrapping project.

Commission Member Kingsbury advised that the utility box locations had been identified, noting that a local teacher would be wrapping two boxes under a grant-funded project which would leave approximately 15-17 boxes to be completed. She opined that \$10,000 should cover the expense to complete the remaining boxes. Consensus was to request a \$10,000 appropriation from City Council to wrap the remaining utility boxes with the call to artist process to be determined.

Director Smith stated that the Garry Oak Society was requesting the City print 500 copies of a coloring/activity sheet for distribution at upcoming events.

Member consensus was that the current sketch was not ready for reproduction.

8. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 5:22pm