

MINUTES
ARTS AND HUMANITIES ADVISORY BOARD
REGULAR MEETING
CITY COMMISSION CONFERENCE ROOM
November 6, 2014
11:45 A.M.

Present were the following members of the Arts and Humanities Advisory Board Members: Ms. Jan Danenberg, Mr. Jay Nelson, Ms. Joleen Hill, Ms. Shelly Richardson, and Mr. Steve Lee. Absent were Mr. Frank Tracz, Mr. Todd Holmberg, Ms. Penny Senften and Mr. Don Hedrick.

Employees present at this meeting were Edward Eastes, Director of Parks and Recreation; Ms. Kathy Swan, Recreation Supervisor; and Chrissy Kramer, Administrative Assistant.

Visitors: Holly Friesen and Janet Duncan, Manhattan Library Board Members; and Linda Knupp, Director, Manhattan Public Library; and John Pecoraro, Assistant Director, Manhattan Public Library.

MINUTES

Mr. Nelson called the meeting to order. It was moved by Ms. Danenberg, seconded by Ms. Hill to approve the minutes of the October meeting. On vote, motion carried 5-0.

MANHATTAN LIBRARY UPDATE

Mr. Lee began discussions about previously meeting with the Manhattan Public Library Board with regard to donation and placement of art at the library. Lengthy discussions began. A subcommittee made of Ms. Danenberg, Ms. Hill, and Mr. Lee was appointed to meet with members of the library board to review potential areas for the placement of a piece of art. Photographs will be taken and forwarded to Mr. Eastes for copying. Mr. Nelson would like to move this forward as quickly as possible and set up a timeline. Ms. Freisen asked about ownership of the artwork. Mr. Eastes stated that a contract with specific information on upkeep and ownership will need to be prepared.

KATHY SWAN-OCTOBER 4 SPECIAL EVENT

Ms. Swan discussed a new event set for October 4, 2015, and included a sheet with ideas for 'Sunday Afternoon In The Park'. After discussions about the event, the Board was in agreement with the ideas and were excited to move forward with the event. Mr. Lee suggested having an informational booth for the Arts & Humanities. Mr. Eastes further suggested having a website set up for Arts & Humanities.

MISCELLANEOUS

Mr. Eastes gave an update on the design of the new Parks and Recreation offices. No improvements will be made to the stage area, however, it is being discussed to do a fundraiser for the improvements. The City Commission is favorable to fundraising. Mr. Eastes stated the Arts & Humanities Board needs to be a part of the process and recommendations should be made to the City Commission. Several area groups are interested in providing ideas.

Due to the time frame, Mr. Eastes would like to discuss the Bloomberg Philanthropies Challenge at the next meeting of December 4, 2014.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned.