

MINUTES  
ARTS AND HUMANITIES ADVISORY BOARD  
REGULAR MEETING  
CITY COMMISSION CONFERENCE ROOM  
May 7, 2015 - 11:45 A.M.

Present were the following members of the Arts and Humanities Advisory Board: Mr. Jay Dean Nelson, Mr. Don Hedrick, Ms. Jan Danenberg, Ms. Shelly Richardson, Mr. Todd Holmberg, Mr. Chris Boxberger and Ms. Livie Olsen.

Absent were Ms. Joleen Hill and Mr. Steve Lee.

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

Visitors were Ms. Danielle Schapaugh – PR Coordinator, Arts & Humanities Association of Manhattan, Linda Morse, City Commissioner and Kayla Savage, UFM.

#### MINUTES

Mr. Nelson called the meeting to order. It was moved by Mr. Boxberger, seconded by Ms. Danenberg to approve the minutes of the April meeting. On vote, motion carried 7-0.

#### MANHATTAN LIBRARY UPDATE

Mr. Nelson stated this meeting was basically for updates and he advised the board that the sculpture ‘Mariner’ will not happen at the library and that was the only information he could give to the board. To move this project further, a Request for Proposal will be needed. Mr. Nelson also stated that additional funds are being given by the Pettle family. Discussions began about materials, rates/prices, the process necessary for Request for Proposals, placement of the artwork at the library, to consider pieces of artwork that had been discussed before and to make sure the library and the public is involved. Also mentioned was having an Engineer involved in the process. Mr. Nelson had also requested the board review links in an email he sent for further discussion at a later date. Mr. Hendrick made a motion that city staff prepare a Request for Proposal for the Manhattan Library Sculpture. Seconded by Ms. Danenberg. On motion, 7-0. Mr. Eastes suggested that the Library Board needs to do a recommendation as well. Ms. Danenberg volunteered to attend the next meeting of the Manhattan Library Board. Discussions also began about a time frame for placement of the art piece. Mr. Eastes provided the board with guidelines and placement of public art.

#### PEACE MEMORIAL AUDITORIUM

Ms. Danenberg gave an update and stated that the Friends of Peace memorial are meeting every week and several veterans groups are involved. Discussions began about the placement of artwork at the auditorium with a Request for Proposal to be available in June.

#### DONATION OPPORTUNITIES

Mr. Eastes stated that he and Mr. Wyatt Thompson, Park Engineer, spoke with the AHA group regarding donations. It was suggested by someone there to add a donation slip that could be added to the water bill. Mr. Eastes is unsure if this type of donation would work. Mr. Eastes spoke with Mr. Bernie Hayen about this idea as well as the 1% funding to be given to the Arts and Humanities Board. This issue will be discussed at a future city commission meeting. Mr. Eastes also will have Mr. Hayen attend a future advisory board meeting to discuss donation opportunities further.

#### MISCELLANEOUS

Mr. Hendrick discussed future events that will be occurring in Manhattan. K-State will be having actors from London appear at the McCain Auditorium and a Shakespearian exhibit. Also featured will be a mock trail fairy custody battle. The city auditorium may be used for a regional contest for high school kids. The Manhattan Library will also be planning events in the near future. Mr. Eastes mentioned doing a proclamation to be brought to the City Commission. Other ideas were discussed by the advisory board.

The meeting was adjourned.