

MINUTES
ARTS AND HUMANITIES ADVISORY BOARD
REGULAR MEETING
CITY COMMISSION ROOM
February 9, 2017 – 11:45 A.M.

Present were the following members of the Arts and Humanities Advisory Board: Ms. Joleen Hill, Mr. Todd Holmberg, Mr. Jay Nelson, Mr. Aaron Oleen, and Ms. Livie Olsen.

Absent were Mr. Chris Boxberger, Dr. Wayne Goins, Ms. Rebecca Hackemann-Bahlmann, and Ms. Julie Pentz.

Visitors at this meeting were Dr. Mickey Chance-Reay and Ms. Karen McCulloh, Manhattan City Commission.

Employees present at this meeting were Mr. Randi Clifford, Recreation Director and Ms. Ginny Pape, Recreation Supervisor.

MINUTES

Ms. Olsen called the meeting to order. It was moved and seconded to approve the minutes of the January meeting. On vote, motion carried 5-0.

LIBRARY PROJECT UPDATE

The Board discussed the next steps in the Manhattan Public Library Project:

1. Mr. Nelson would like to finalize the design of the Tal Streeter sculpture. This will most likely require collaboration with Mr. Bruce George and the Streeter family.
2. The Board needs to obtain estimates on the cost of building materials.
3. The Board must meet with City Engineer to discuss the design for the sculpture base. Mr. Clifford offered to take the maquette of the sculpture to City Engineers to discuss potential engineering costs.
4. After the Board has a cost estimate, it will be necessary to meet with Vern Henricks of the Greater Manhattan Community Foundation to obtain funding.
5. The Board also discussed submitting the Library project as a possible CIP.
6. Ms. McCulloh suggested forming a sub-committee utilizing community members who are not associated with AHAB to help with the project. It was suggested that the Kansas State University College of Architecture, Planning, and Design might be able to help with the project. Mr. Nelson agreed to speak with Fred Hasler from Architectural Engineering about a possible collaboration.

AIRPORT ADVISORY BOARD UPDATE

Members of the AHAB have been invited to attend the next Airport Advisory Board meeting on February 27 at 9:00 AM. Mr. Clifford volunteered to attend the meeting as a staff representative.

Ms. McCulloh suggested the Airport should install informational screens/kiosks with information about the Manhattan community. Ms. McCulloh suggested that the kiosks could potentially be funded by excess hotel tax funds collected during 2016.

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Mr. Clifford informed the Board that Advisory Board CIP submissions are due by March 3, 2017.

Mr. Clifford then handed out a list of current CIP items. The Board reviewed these projects and opted to make the following additions/changes:

1. The Board would like to submit the Library Project as a CIP.
2. Ms. Hill suggested that the Board strike the collection and categorization of art in Manhattan from the CIP listing. The Board determined that this project could potentially be completed by one or more K-State students as a program capstone project or a summer internship.

3. Ms. McCulloh suggested that the Board submit Airport art as a CIP item. Mr. Oleen agreed to attend the next Airport Advisory Board meeting to determine a rough estimate on how much money to request for art installations at the Airport.
4. Ms. Hill would like to see a CIP for lighting and informational signage at the sculpture at the Roundabout at 4th and Bluemont.
5. The Board decided to consolidate two past projects that were part of downtown redevelopment (CIP 155 & 156) and resubmit as a new CIP request. Mr. Oleen agreed to consolidate CIP 155 & 156.

DRAFT ACTION PLAN – TABLED UNTIL MARCH

Ms. Pape handed out sample municipal codes from communities that allow busking in public areas. Ms. Pape will work on writing a similar policy for the City of Manhattan. Further discussion on this topic was tabled until the March meeting due to time constraints.

DRAFT FLOW CHART – AHAB RESPONSIBILITIES

Randi handed out a flow chart of the responsibilities of the AHAB. Further discussion on this topic was tabled until the March meeting due to time constraints.

OTHER BUSINESS

Ms. McCulloh expressed interest in acquiring artistic benches for parks within the city. The Board specifically identified Northeast Community Park as an area that would benefit from benches. The Board discussed researching current City policies for donating benches.

The meeting was adjourned.