

**MINUTES
CITY OF EDINA, MINNESOTA
EDINA PUBLIC ART COMMITTEE
EDINA CITY HALL
JANUARY 5, 2012**

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. ROLL CALL:

Answering roll call were: Bernice Amacher, Pat Beaver, Naomi Griffith, Chip Jones, Amy Kerber, Mark Lidke, Barbara La Valleur, Bill McCabe, Lois Ring, Ruth Valgema. Staff present: Michael Frey and Anne Spooner

III. APPROVAL OF MEETING AGENDA:

As presented.

IV: ADOPTION OF CONSENT AGENDA

A. Approval of Minutes – Regular Meeting of December 1, 2011

Motion made by Ms. Amacher and seconded by Ms. Griffith to approve additions to meeting Minutes.

AYES: Amacher, Beaver, Griffith, Jones, Kerber, Lidke, La Valleur, McCabe, Ring, Valgema. Motion carried.

V: COMMUNITY COMMENT:

Anna Pugh introduced herself as sophomore at Edina High School, and a member of Art Academy at the Edina Art Center. Ms. Pugh has been invited to apply for membership after attending several meetings.

VI: REPORTS/RECOMMENDATIONS

A. Financial Report/New Donations/Budget Approved

Ms. Ring reported she received e-mail confirmation from Council Member Brindle on December 21st that City Council approved the 2012 budget of \$10,000 in full. Mr. McCabe confirmed the amount in his financial report.

B. Design Updates: Map Card and Call for Artists

The 4,000 additional map cards are being printed and should be ready in one week. Ms. Ring will notify the committee when the map cards are delivered.

The new design for the *2012-2013 Call for Sculptures* has received many compliments. Thanks was extended to Mark Lidke for creating an attractive and professional looking brochure.

Mr. Frey reported that 200 emails were sent and 28 received the call by regular mail. 17 had no contact information. Ms. La Valleur volunteered to telephone those who haven't received the Call for Sculptors.

C. 50th and France/Sculpture Exhibition

The area between Salut located at 50th and France and Edina Grill is the new location for an additional Sculpture sponsored by the 50th and France Business Association. Mr. Lidke commented that there should be appropriate lighting there. This will be investigated. Wayne Houle, City Engineer will approve the location.

D. Website Improvement

Mr. Frey reported that the new website has not been launched yet. The launch is scheduled to occur January 15, 2012. Mr. Frey will be the website monitor and will be making all changes to the EPAC and EAC websites. Ms. Ring reminded EPAC that they may post on the EAC Facebook page.

Sculpture Book Sales/City Hall Book Update

Book sales are going well. Mr. Frey reported that 15, about half, have been sold. The City Hall Book is in process and Mr. Jones agreed to photograph art at the Senior Center for inclusion in the book. Ms. Valgemaie agreed to continue working on the book.

E. Policies and Procedures Document

The EPAC bylaws have not been finalized yet. Once completed, they will be presented to the EAC Board for approval.

F. Procedure for EPAC Involvement in Donations of Sculptures

Motion made by Chip Jones and seconded by Ms. La Valleur to form a sub-committee to discuss future decisions in regard to the purchase of public art and explore procedures establishing a protocol for involvement with EPAC.

AYES: Amacher, Beaver, Griffith, Jones, Kerber, Lidke, La Valleur, McCabe, Ring, Valgemaie. Motion carried.

Mr. Jones, Ms. Ring, Ms. Griffith and Mr. Frey agreed to participate and the committee will meet at EAC on Thursday, January 19 at 1 p. m.

G. Other

A. Sculpture Loan from Mr. Legeros and recent purchase.

Reflecting on Friendship was recently purchased by Dick & Suzie Crockett and funds were made available through the Edina Community Foundation. The sculpture was donated to the City of Edina, and per the purchaser's request, moved to Centennial Lakes Park near the main entrance of Hughes Pavilion.

Members of the committee entertained the idea of replacing the now vacant pad where "Reflecting on Friendship" was installed with another sculpture by Mr. Legeros. The discussion that followed resulted in an agreement with the general consensus to leave the pad vacant until the entries for the 2012-2013 Sculpture Exhibition have been selected.

B. Artist on Lake

An artist made an inquiry about the call for sculptors asking if her floating sculpture entitled, *Artist on Lake*, be considered. Ms. Ring reported that Tom Shirley said that a floating sculpture will not be possible because the liner at the lake bottom could be punctured. Ms. Ring will notify the artist about this and also encourage her to enter other work for the call for sculptors.

C. About Town Calendar

Mr. Frey stated corrections will be made to EPAC meeting dates in the About Town calendar. Ms. La Valleur volunteered to include an article in About Town about the new EPAC book.

VII. COMMITTEE/STAFF COMMENTS

A. Mr. Frey thanked Anna Pugh for attending the meeting and recommended her for EPAC Student membership.

ADJOURNMENT: 5:00 p. m.