LAH Public Art Committee

Regular Meeting

Final Meeting Minutes

Meeting Time: Monday, July 8, 2019 at 6:00 PM
Meeting Place: Parks and Recreation Building
26379 Fremont Road
Los Altos Hills, CA 94022

1. Call to Order occurred at 6:05 pm
   Committee Members Present: Robyn Aber, Diane Brauch, David Milgram, Stacey Newman and Farah Tabatabai
   Committee Members Absent: Nicole Andrews
   Associate Members Absent: Gail Solomon and Kjell Karlsson
   Also Absent: George Tyson, Town Councilmember/ PAC liaison to Town Council

2. Minutes of the Regular Meeting, provided by Deborah Padovan, from June 10, 2019 were not approved. Revisions made. Updated minutes will be circulated.
   Robyn moved for the updated June minutes to be approved; David seconded it. Unanimous approval. Motion passed.

3. Presentations from the Floor
   None.

4. Status of Open Items

   A. Digital Art/Online Gallery Update
   Robyn led discussion of the following:
   * Public Relations for Je/Jy Gallery/Artist (Larry William - Portrait Photography):
     - Post on NextDoor by R. Aber
     - Post on Town of LAH Facebook pg by Town Pks & Rec Staff  (RA sent in)
   - Post on Los Altos Town Crier Facebook pg (RA sent press rel.) - possible inclusion in "Community" section of printed paper wk of 7/17/19 too.

   * Robyn submitted upcoming Digital Gallery schedule (& list of 2019 Archived Galleries) to LAH Parks & Rec staff for Fall/Winter 2019/20 LAH Activities Guide publication. September through February will be printed in the Guide.

   * Robyn sent article re: Digital Gallery (from Spring 2019 LAH Our Town newsletter
ed.) to Palo Alto Art Center staff to post on Bulletin Boards near classrooms (to alert artists who may take classes there to check out the Gallery & enlist students there to submit art for consideration).

**ACTION ITEM:** Work on publicity to reach/inform/attract new artists to the Digital Gallery.

* Robyn contacted Karen Druker re: featuring her Abstract Paintings in a Dec 2019/Jan 2020 Digital Gallery. Karen was interested. She will need tech assistance to be able to submit digital content.


**ACTION ITEM:** Robyn & Diane will coordinate the handling of the Digital Gallery waitlist(names/dates/contact info) for October to February.

* Gail Solomon contacted Jordan Fong (Foothill College Art Dept) to ask if students/art faculty would be interested in submitting content to Digital Gallery. He said "yes". No action till Fall Quarter in session.

**ACTION ITEM:** Contact Jordan Fong in September to follow up.

* Farah Tabatabai suggested PAC add artist Holly Vanhart to the 'Digital Gallery Waiting List' - for future consideration (if PAC opens up to artists outside LAH). Holly is an award-winning artist from Saratoga...). Contact Info (6/30/19): holly@hollyvanhart.com.

**B. Ceramic Bird Sculptures status**
Tabled.

**C. Kinetic Sculpture Project**
Kinetic sculpture artist Amos Robinson declined creating a piece of art consisting of two people on a bike when PAC asked him if possible in the past. Committee wants to follow up with the artist and learn more about what he can do, what his prices are, what is included in his price (pole, customization, installation) and what else is needed to install a piece of his work.

**ACTION ITEM:** Farah will email Amos Robinson and ask for a quote, including line item expenses, on model “Racer Abstract Unisex Stick Figure”. PAC favors the body of the stick figure to be black metal wearing a red helmet on black and red bicycle wheels.
D. Selection of Vice-Chair and Secretary for the Coming Year
Diane was selected as Vice-Chair of the Public Art Committee. PAC decided that the Secretary will be appointed at the start of each meeting.

E. Acquiring a Major Artwork
1. Update-Ongoing Site Selection
Robyn and David went on a site selection visit. Four sites could work for a large piece of art: Moody and Rhus Ridge, Old Snakey and Moody, Elena and Taafe, Byrne Park Reserve. Four sites could work for a small piece of art: Arastradero and Purissima, Arastradero and W.Fremont, Elena at El Monte, Page Mill Park and Ride.
2. Update-Ongoing Artist Selection
David sent a spreadsheet with different artists and their work to look at.

ACTION ITEM: Diane, Farah and Stacey are to meet Monday July 22 at 2pm and visit above mentioned sites.

ACTION ITEM: Everyone should look at the site selection document David sent.

ACTION ITEM: Everyone should look at the artist nominations and their art on a spreadsheet that David created and sent to PAC. Everyone should nominate three other artists to add to this document.

5. New/Continuing Business
PAC needs new members, especially in light of several members terming out soon.

ACTION ITEM: David will reach out to Erika Shapiro, Diane will talk with Linda Swan, and Nikki will potentially touch base with Cantor volunteers (many we hear are disgruntled there) to recruit new members to PAC.

6. Announcement of Next Meeting.
The next meeting of the Public Art Committee is Monday August 12, 2019 at 6pm.

7. Adjourn
The meeting was adjourned at 7:35 pm.

Minutes submitted by Stacey Newman.