MOSCOW ARTS COMMISSION

Lauren McCleary
Commission Chair

Regular Meeting
~Agenda~

Kathleen Burns
Staff Liaison

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Tuesday | **5:00 PM** | **City Council Chambers**

July 10, 2018 | **206 E Third St**

Welcome and Attendance

1. **Approval Of Moscow Arts Commission June 12, 2018 Minutes**

   Documents:

   MINMAC20180612.PDF

2. **Public Comment (10 Minutes)**
   Members of the Public may speak to the Commission regarding matters NOT on the Agenda or currently pending before the Farmers Market Commission. Please state your name and address for the record and limit your remarks to three minutes.

3. **Strategic Planning Update - Jen Pfiffner**

4. **Welcome Poet Laureate Susan Hodgin**

   ACTION: Commission volunteer needed to coordinate yearly schedule and projects for Moscow Poet Laureate.

   Documents:

   SUSAN HODGIN POEM - BOOK CHAUFFER VISIT.PDF

5. **Mayor's Arts Awards**

   ACTION: A volunteer is needed from the Commission to plan the awards ceremony at the 1912 Center on Thursday, October 25, 2018.

6. **Committee Reports**
   Reports from Commission committees proving updates on making recommendations for the Commission to vote on as needed.

A. Artwalk / Events
B. Community Outreach
C. Public Art
D. Third Street Gallery

7. **Director's Report**

   The Arts Director will give a brief update to the events and projects the Arts Department is working on.

8. **Future Meetings And Upcoming Events**

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   2. Moscow Artwalk 2018 - June 15, 2018
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Adjourn

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~Minutes~

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Tuesday **June 12, 2018**	**5:00 PM**	**City Council Chambers** **206 E Third St**

The meeting was called to order at 5:02 PM

PRESENT: Lauren McCleary Chair, Rachael Eastman, Christine Gilmore Vice Chair, Caitlin Wikel, Cindy Barnhart, Donna Woolston, Diane Walker,

ABSENT: Matthew Harden, David Wilson, Katherine Clancy,

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: Kathleen Burns, Staff Liaison; Kathryn Bonzo, Council Liaison; Les MacDonald, Public Works Director; Roger Rowley, UI Prichard Art Gallery Director; Ruth Piispanen, Idaho Commission on the Arts; Margaret Vaughn, University Of Idaho Department Of Education; DJ Scallorn, Arts Assistant;

Welcome and Introductions

McCleary called the meeting to order.

1. **Approval of Moscow Arts Commission May 8, 2018 Minutes**

   Gilmore moved that the minutes be approved; Wikel seconded approval of the May 8, 2018 minutes. Motion carried.

   [Woolston and Walker arrived to the meeting]

2. **Public Comment (10 Minutes)**

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   No public comment.

3. **Proposal By The Prichard Art Gallery To Keep The Moscow Artwalk 2019 Opening Receptions As The Third Friday In June - Roger Rowley, Director UI Prichard Art Gallery**

   Typically the Moscow Artwalk opening receptions fall on the third Friday in June. For 2019, the Prichard Art Gallery requests that the opening receptions maintain this pattern and that the Moscow Artwalk 2019 opening receptions be the third Friday in June which will be June 21, 2019. This will accommodate the timing of the Prichard's 2019 exhibit "Zimoun in Moscow" (which will bring Zimoun, an artist based in Bern Switzerland who creates site-specific installations) and will maintain the typical deadlines for Artwalk material that staff, host locations, artists, etc. are already familiar with.

   ACTION: Approve keeping the Moscow Artwalk 2019 opening receptions on the third Friday in June which will be June 21, 2019 or provide direction to staff as needed.

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In June 2019 the Prichard is bringing an exhibit called Zimoun from Bern Switzerland. Rowley requested that the Artwalk 2019 opening receptions be on Friday, June 21, 2019 to coincide with this installation. Rowley also requested funding to help cover the cost of bringing this exhibit to Moscow. Discussion ensued regarding, the typical timeframe of past Artwalks (in recent years usually on the third Friday but in the past on the second Friday); how the timeframe of the Prichard exhibit is not flexible; if the City could offer in-kind support (paying moving companies, providing cardboard, pallets, etc.); and how the Mayor and City Staff will be attending the Idaho Association of Cities around the June 21st timeframe but that they would return in time for Artwalk.

Woolston moved to recommend to the City, staff, and the City Council that the 2019 Artwalk opening receptions be held on June 21, 2019. Gilmore seconded. Vote by Acclamation: Ayes: Seven (7). Nays: None. Abstentions: None. Motion carried.

[Bonzo arrived to the meeting]

The funding for this exhibit needs to be raised by the end of this year. Burns said the budget for 2019 has been set but the Arts Commission can fundraise.

The Commission came to consensus to follow up with Rowley at a future meeting.

4. **Developing/Enhancing Art Programs In Moscow Schools, Margaret Vaughn, University Of Idaho Department Of Education**

Professor Vaughn would like to talk with the Commission about working on grants and sourcing ideas for developing/enhancing art programs in Moscow Schools for grades K though 5th.

ACTION: Suggest points of contact, model programs, grant programs, and/or provide any additional information to Margaret Vaughn.

Vaughn said currently there are no art programs in the public schools (K-5) and asked for ways to develop more possibilities. Discussion ensued regarding: ways to develop a program and present a formal plan, who to present a plan to (school district and grant opportunities); utilizing the developing artist in residence to introduce a K-5 afterschool program; and looking at what other organizations and arts councils have done for inspiration and examples. McCleary called for volunteers to assist with the planning. Eastman volunteered.

5. **Third Street Bridge Design Update, Public Works Staff Representative**

City of Moscow staff will share bridge design to date. Staff will show optional areas to include public art on the bridge.

ACTION: MAC needs to decide if they support spending money on the 3rd street bridge. Motion needed to support project, and support spending.

MacDonald said the Third Street Bridge design includes a 45’ long x 36’ wide structure that spans Paradise Creek. The handrail system is concrete and metal and a raised sidewalk on both sides of the roadway offers a pedestrian walkway. The road in the middle accommodates vehicle and bike traffic. The handrail is designed to keep a vehicle from leaving the roadway. The bridge design will include endcaps with wiring for LED lights that will have a similar historical feel as the downtown lighting. There are a number of places where public art could be incorporated in the design including: an inset on both interior sides of the bridge and the endcaps, the handrail, or a possible secondary installation after the bride is completed). The cost of the public art is not included in the construction but would come from the 1% funds or another revenue source.

Discussion ensued regarding: possible locations for public art (the insets, a custom handrail that would need to be ready quickly to match up with the construction schedule, or a location determined after the

construction is complete) and how further discussion is needed on what specific public art to include. Burns said there needs to be a formal proposal with funding that is presented to City Council before looking at options for locations. Woolston moved to utilize the 1% funds that the Third Street Bridge construction will generate ($5,830) plus matching these with additional funds from the 1% for public art for a total of $11,660 to be used to fund public art on the Third Street Bridge. Barnhart seconded. Vote by Acclamation: Ayes: Seven (7). Nays: None. Abstentions: None. Motion carried.

6. Poet Laureate

After reviewing the applicants a selection panel recommends selecting Susan Hodgin as the next City of Moscow Poet Laureate. The Poet Laureate serves a 3-year term and works to expand literacy and community awareness, honor the many writers in our community, and build upon the correlation between civic live and creativity of local artists.

ACTION: Accept the recommendation from the selection panel for Susan Hodgin to be the next City of Moscow Poet Laureate.

A panel met and reviewed the four applicants for the next Poet Laureate. This panel recommends selecting Susan Hodgin as the next Laureate. Walker moved to accept Susan Hodgin as the next Poet Laureate. Wikel seconded. Vote by Acclamation: Ayes: Seven (7). Nays: None. Abstentions: None. Motion carried.

7. Community Reports

Artwalk / Events

Scallorn reported that at the last Committee meeting the group discussed updates for the event and assembled the packets for host locations (poster, door sign, and passports for those participating). Gilmore suggested asking Susan Hodgin, the new Poet Laureate, if she would be able to do a reading at the Library, the Kenworthy, or the Chamber of Commerce. Burns will follow up with Susan and see what she is able to do.

Community Outreach

The Committee is still developing the artist in residence concept and what the goals for this program will be.

Gilmore asked for suggestions on how the Commission could participate in Art Affair in July (renting a room for $100 and having an installation, tabling in the lobby if the organization committee will allow it, or possibly sponsoring an art project at the event location for the evening).

The Commission came to the consensus to look at alternate components over hosting a room.

Public Art

See the Director's Report.

Third Street Gallery

The last exhibit, Inflation Celebration was successful. The upcoming exhibit will feature the Artwalk cover artist, Erica Wagner, and the following exhibit will be a partnership with the Historical Society and will feature what we collect and why.

8. Director's Report

Burns reported that NOWPAC will be September 18 & 19, Idaho Commission on the Arts is overseeing the registration, and a host committee is needed to help with the planning. Artwalk key events (chalk artist talk June 13th at 5 p.m., tile mural project dedication June 15th at noon, and ribbon cutting at the Moscow Public Library on June 15th at 4 p.m.). Artwalk last minute planning includes conservation, maintenance planning, and final payments. Six new vinyl wraps and a new bus shelter have been

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installed. The suggestion has been made to host a promotion and advertising panel (newspaper, tv, radio) in September. Scallorn will be on vacation the week of June 18th and Burns will be on vacation July 2nd to July 13th.

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The meeting adjourned at 6:35 PM

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Book Chauffeur Visit

The branch library book mobile kicked up
yard driveway dust and gravel under
its gray wheels. Mid-morning, June
sun matched our lifted spirit. Tumbling
out of the clapboard house like school-dismissed
children, we slammed the blackened screen

door, raced across gray-painted porch, cement
walkway, through mowed grass. The book chauffeur
smiled us into the rusty-red and cream bus. I stood
tall—a walking doll—inside this dollhouse shelved
with library stacks, volumes, their closed-paper smell

strong. We finger-tip-touched books, held
our heads sideways reading spines by sun-rayed light.
My sister found *Green Poodles*—the green book
she would read five times. I found my blue books,
Jefferson and Adams biographies, learned
how their minds stood at enmity almost a lifetime

until age slowed their hot blood with parchment and quill.
When Adams knew he was dying—he whispered,
"Thomas Jefferson still survives."

They died hours apart resting in the knowledge
that the other lived. Some book lessons are never teacher
taught. What stories, what truths summer readers take
with them—moving memories—from moving libraries.

—Susan Hodgin