

Minutes of the Public Art Committee (PAC)
Monday, December 4, 2023 at 4:00 p.m.
Frank Jameson Community Centre

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Lynda Baker, Chair
Kathleen Darby
Gordon Filewych

Kathy Holmes
Councillor Tricia McKay

STAFF PRESENT:

Andrea Downey, Lead
Chris Barfoot, Guest
Kim Cheang (Minute Taker)

REGRETS:

Shirley Louie
Ora Steyn

Julia Noon

**CALL TO ORDER AND
ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m.

The Chair acknowledged with gratitude that the meeting was taking place on the traditional, unceded territory of the Stz'uminus First Nation.

AGENDA

2023-14:
That the Public Art Committee approve the agenda for the meeting as presented.
Motion Carried

MINUTES

2023-15:
That the Public Art Committee approve the minutes of the November 6, 2023 meeting as presented.
Motion Carried

NEW BUSINESS

Election of Chair

2023-16:
That the Public Art Committee appoint Lynda Baker as Chair.
Motion Carried

Town of Ladysmith Flag and Creating Art on the Holland Creek Trail culvert.

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1. That Council refer the redesign of the Town of Ladysmith flag to the Public Art Committee.
2. That Council refer the subject of creating art on the Holland Creek Trail culvert to the Public Art Committee for recommendations regarding process.

1. Town of Ladysmith Flag Redesign

The Committee discussed ideas and suggested that the first step should be to research and compile information to determine the process.

- K. Darby offered to put this out to the Creative Cities Network of Canada membership and board, to see who has a process or who can recall a previous process and budget.
 - Staff to post in the Creative Cities Network of Canada public art forum for feedback.
 - Staff brought the Town branding standards for the Committee to review.
2. Creating Art on the Holland Creek Trail Culvert .

The Committee agreed that further research is needed to determine the easiest and most inexpensive option (i.e., graffiti artist). The Committee suggested reaching out to the Ladysmith Arts Council to see if they are interested in partnering with the Town on the culvert project with youth and access funding. The Committee also suggested reaching out to the School District for their alternate programs to see if anything in the art program that would align with this project.

Staff to confirm:

1. Confirm lighting in the culvert. If lighting has already been constructed and completed, then there's no room for movement.
2. Can they pause to do something more artistic with the lighting?
3. If there are electrical concerns?
4. Is there any possibility of support from the building process in any way?
5. How long is the culvert?

OLD BUSINESS

Review amended Terms of Reference and Public Art Policy

C. Barfoot discussed the transition from the Public Art Task Group to the Public Art Committee. New term to start in September 2024.

Banner theme update from Council – November 21 & the Timeline for Selection

The Call for Submissions will be posted by end of the week and will close January 29, 2024.

The Committee suggested the following five community groups be invited to the 2024 Community Public Art Banner Selection Committee:

- Members of the PAC – Lynda Baker (facilitator), Gordon Filewych
- Arts Council of Ladysmith and District (1 member)
- Chamber of Commerce (1 member)
- Festival of Lights (1 member)
- Ladysmith Days (1 member)

Staff will schedule a meeting with the Selection Committee to review and score the entries, and make recommendations to the PAC.

Staff will schedule a meeting with the Committee to approve the selection panel's recommendation and adjudication.

Update on Deaccession of Public Art of Julian North Collection

The Committee reviewed Council's direction regarding the art collection, and suggested contacting the Victoria Art Gallery and Vancouver Art Gallery to see they are interested in purchasing or receiving the collection. The committee also suggested contacting art galleries that have the ability to display permanent collections (i.e., VIU and other institutions).

NEXT MEETING


To be determined by the Committee.

ADJOURNMENT

2023-17:

That the Public Art Committee adjourn this meeting at 5:15 p.m.

Motion Carried

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Chair

A smaller, more legible handwritten signature in black ink, written over a horizontal line. The signature appears to be "S. Bouma".

Acting Corporate Officer (S. Bouma)

