

Altoona Arts and Culture Commission
Regular Meeting
Monday, April 3, 2023 | 12PM | City Hall Council Chambers

The meeting was called to order by Chris at 12:07pm.

Members present: Elizabeth Burns-Thompson, Natalie Jacobson, Emily Linacre, Chris Lynn, Alex Payne, John Shaw

Via Zoom: Sarah Kavalier, Chad Zimmerman

Absent: Sarah Holder, Mike Lambert, Calan Smidt

There wasn't a quorum at the beginning of the meeting; approval of March minutes was delayed until May meeting.

There was no public comment.

CONSIDER AND CONSENT:

- Bravo Public Art Grant Application
 - Natalie and John met with Bravo staff as required
 - Application will focus on mural in Olde Town, on east side of Borseth Law, in conjunction with Olde Town Association
 - Total budget for project estimated to be \$58k
 - Application deadline: Friday 4/7 at 3pm
 - Work to be completed by June 2024
 - Alex motioned to recommend City Council approval of application, Chris seconded; all ayes, motion carried
- CORNival
 - Artist submissions: 31 artists, over 50 designs received
 - Enter feedback by Tuesday 4/4; meeting Wednesday 4/5 to make final selections; chosen artists to be announced Friday 4/7
 - Timeline: sculptures to arrive around May, artists pickup and return by mid-late June; Ted's Auto Body to clearcoat in time for July 4 reveal
 - Molly working on formal contract with hard deadlines for sculpture company, welcome packet for artists
 - Sarah motioned to request \$2500/artist stipends from City Council, Alex seconded; all ayes, motion carried
- Masterpieces of Altoona
 - Sarah motioned to select Moai Dude (Ironwood Park), Leap Into Learning (Library), Mars 1 (Haines Park) as next Masterpieces, Chris seconded; all ayes, motion carried
 - Emily/Natalie/John to work with Beeline + Blue to get new QR code plaques
 - Emily/Natalie/John to look into getting stats from QR codes—purchase separate subscription, piggyback with Visit Altoona, stats available on back-end of website?

- Molly Johnson–Contract:
 - Sarah motioned to extend contract through August, Alex seconded; all ayes, motion carried

NEW BUSINESS:

- Arts and culture grant opportunities
 - Natalie compiled a list of upcoming grants for public art projects
 - Commission can use to guide projects for next year

COUNCIL + STAFF UPDATES:

- New PR staff hired; will start beginning of May

ADJOURNMENT:

- Meeting adjourned at 1:08pm
- Next meeting will be at **6:30pm on May 8, 2023, @ City Hall Council Chambers**