

CITY OF MARQUETTE PUBLIC ART COMMISSION MINUTES

City of Marquette Arts and Cultural Center, Marquette, MI

January 10, 2024

I. Call to Order: 6:34pm

II. Roll Call:

Present: Tracy Wascom, Jacqueline Wagner, Amy Stephens, Lauren Tilma, Emily Tobin Lavoy, Tiina Morin; and Brianna Hobbins. Excused: Lance Larson

III. Approval of Agenda/Minutes:

- i. Motion to approve January Agenda by Amy, seconded by Emily.
Approved by majority.
- ii. Motion to approve November Minutes by Lauren, seconded by Brianna.
Approved by majority.

IV. Public Comment

No in person comments.

V. MPAC Chair Report

- i. Tracy Wascom – Oscillation installation meeting was held with DDA. Will talk further under “old business”.

VI. Manager Report

- Tiina Morin: Overview of work planned for the 2024 year
- Full time staff member now under a grant by the Smart Zone
- DEI and the Arts partnership
- www.MOTCompass.com recourse hub for the community
- Art Week 2024
- Urban Ecosystems want to meet (possibly February 7th) to plan the landscaping around Father Marquette
- Unveiling of Jason's Sculpture unveiling
- New bandshell coming soon at Presque Isle
- Budget for Arts and Culture plan in the fall of 2024

VII: Old Business

1. Complete

- i. Conservation Assessment was done and three deep dives were done with assessments
 - 1. Father Marquette Statue - Great shape, blockages of the weep holes, split seam in the sandstone, pitting, graffiti. Assessment company would apply hot wax layer, train small group on waxing protocols for future maintenance, wash the sculpture, clean weep holes. Cost estimate \$19,300.00
 - 2. Basketball Court Fast Break - snow removal is not recommended, have all the info on the kind of paint, gloss level, etc. Might want to touch up next summer, washing yearly, pooling areas

3. Lundmark Painting in City Commission Chambers - Older Seascape 1963; Needs a good cleaning, mend puncture, backboarding acid free, etc. Send the painting to them for mending and assessment. Cost assessment: \$5,060.00 with an optional additional \$2,000.00 repair of the frame

4. Lady of the Lake - Not worth retouching because it will disrupt the mount

ii. Finance discussion on next year's budget; Restoration of Father Marquette Statue is a high priority, as well as the preservation of the Lundmark Painting. Motion to approve full restoration of the Father Marquette Statue as well as the Lundmark Painting and Frame by Emily, seconded by Lauren. Approved by majority vote.

iii. Kids Cove Sculpture Project (Dragonfly); initial review of design submissions, discussion of any initial questions about materials, safety, maintenance, etc. We will discuss further after public comment at our February meeting.

iv. Rosewood Walkway; Art Week Project with DDA, MPAC to develop RFP for that space, funded by DDA with initial budget of \$2,000, theme is GROWTH, early-mid April for submissions, April Announcement to Artists, MPAC is facilitating this project

v. OSCILLATION; likely to be installed in The Commons, partnering with Travel Marquette

vi. Spear Dock public art; make sure that end caps are fabricated and everything is completed structurally, but artwork installation could be delayed until 2025 possibly. Need color samples.

vii. Words to Live & Bike By; this would happen during Art Week 2024, must get the ball rolling on this so that installation can happen in June. Moving forward with Words to Live & Bike By with original words for Art Week 2024. Motion to approve Honorarium for five artists of \$300 and budget amendment by Emily, seconded by Lauren. Approved by majority.

VIII. New Business

I. none

IX. Committee Reports (as needed)

- a. Friends of Marquette Public Art Commission
- b. Policy and Maintenance

X. Good of the Order

XI: Meeting adjourned at 8:16 pm

The next regular meeting will be at 6:30 pm. On Wednesday, February 14th, 2024.
Respectfully submitted by Jacqueline Wagner

