

CITY OF MARQUETTE PUBLIC ART COMMISSION MINUTES

City of Marquette Arts and Cultural Center, Marquette, MI

February 28, 2024

I. Call to Order: 6:37pm

II. Roll Call:

Present: Lauren Tilma, Tiina Morin, Jacqueline Wagner, Brianna Hobbins, Amy Stephens, Alison Taras, and Emily Tobin Lavoy

Special Guest: Mina from the Marquette Playgrounds for All Committee, Addie Boswell from Portland via Zoom, Matt Cartwright, Jon Swenson from the City Community Services Director, and Facilities Manager, Mike Sjolund.

III. Approval of Agenda/Minutes:

i. Motion to approve February 28th Agenda by Amy, seconded by Emily.

Approved by majority.

ii. Motion to approve February 14th Minutes by Brianna, seconded by Lauren.

Approved by majority.

IV. Public Comment

Zoom meeting with Addie Boswell and Matt Cartwright

- I. Moving away from the gazebo, and going with the modified perch design
- II. Discussion about the leaves being a base, structurally, to stabilize the 600 lb structure. Potential footing being difficult to estimate the size depending on soil or tapping into the concrete slab under the playground
- III. Archway - Potential for an metal arch design would be much easier for Matt to design, and Matt has experience building archways. We looked at the arch designs that Matt showed us. Ideally, the base of the arch would be outside of the playable space, so it wouldn't be subjected to the same regulations and standards as the playground. Discussion about incorporating grass, but make it a bit safer by putting the grass higher. We will come up with some native plants that dragonflies like that are found in the U.P. Design elements need to be about 10 feet high to keep out of reach of children. The dragonfly wings would be approximately 6ft wide. Dragonfly would be approximately 200lbs. Arch would be bolted into a slab, preferably. Snow accumulation wouldn't be so much of a problem because the wind blows most of the snow off of the horizontal surfaces in the area. Structural Engineer approval would be needed on the structure, and the artist is required to install.
- IV. 3D Rendering - We request a detailed whimsical archway design with colors from Addie and Matt by our next meeting on Mar 13, 2024
- V. Kids Cove Completion - Hoping to have the park completed by August 2024. Conversation can be had with the city with how to mount the structure, possibly tapping into the original slab under the playground.

V. MPAC Chair Report

I. Lauren Tilma –

VI. Manager Report

I. Tiina Morin -

VII: Old Business

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VIII. New Business

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IX. Committee Reports (as needed)

X. Good of the Order

XI: Meeting adjourned at 8:11 pm

The next regular meeting will be at 6:30 pm. On Wednesday, March 13th, 2024. Respectfully
submitted by Jacqueline Wagner

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "J. Wagner", written in a cursive style.