

Marquette Public Art Commission Meeting Minutes

23, April 2025

6:30

Peter White Public Library

Call to Order: A regular meeting of the Marquette Public Art Commission was held in Marquette, Michigan on April 23, 2025. The meeting was convened at 6:42PM.

Roll Call:

Present: Tiina Morin, Alison Taras, Jacqueline Wagner, Lauren Tilma, and Brianna Hobbins

Absent: Emily Tobin Lavoy and Amy Stephens

Motion: *Moved by Lauren, seconded by Alison to excuse the absence of Emily Tobin-Lavoy and Amy Stephens.*

Motioned carried unanimously.

Approval of the Agenda:

Motion: Moved by Lauren, seconded by Alison to approve the agenda with the minor adjustments to the Iris Katers presentation.

Motioned carried unanimously.

Motion: Moved by Lauren, seconded by Alison to approve the total expenses due in the amount of \$250.00

a. \$150.00 for annual maintenance, hosting, and support of the Public Art Directory on the Marquette Compass

b. \$100.00 for annual renewal of Midwest Art Conservation Center membership

Motioned carried unanimously.

Approval of Minutes:

Motion: Moved by Lauren, seconded by Alison to approve the minutes of the February 2025 meeting, with the edits.

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion: Moved by Lauren, seconded by Alison to approve the minutes/document of the March 2025 meeting, which did not take place due to lack of quorum.

Motion carried unanimously.

Announcements:

Annual Art Awards: Nominations are needed. Share widely.

Current Art Exhibits: High School Art Show and Artist in Excellence

Marquette Art Tour: May 18th

Shoreline Cultural Trail: Decision is needed whether or not to adopt the story marker signs as part of our public art collection.

Band Shell: Contract was signed and construction will begin this summer 2025.

Public Comments:

Presentation: Iris Katers on Charitable Foundation Harlow Park Monument

The stone needed won't be ready by July 4th, which was our initial reveal plan date, but Constitution Day might be more appropriate for our timeline which will be in September 2025. Iris is requesting a Green Bay Packer symbol engraved on the monument, which we feel is a controversial topic. We have suggested a possible brick leading up to the monument in lieu of engraving the actual monument. We also discussed editing the "thank you" section, the date engraving, the location of the two monuments, and the lighting. Discussion of future plans for involving the fountain area and making upgrades. Iris Katers has requested involving the Amendments in future plans.

Special meeting 6:00 on April 30th, 2025, to discuss the Harlow Park Monument in more detail.

Officer Reports:

MPAC Chair Report - Brianna Hobbins

Other Reports:

Committee Reports (as needed)

a. Friends of Marquette Public Art Commission - None

b. Policy and Maintenance Procedures and Directory - None

Unfinished Business:

Phase Two Seven Grandfathers: Ishkode

Forecast Grant - Cohort is advising us for this living monument and signage. The city is working on a subcontract grant and we will create a new contract with Jason Quigno. Anishinaabe wants to tell their story. What will that look like?

Oscillation Report Feedback

Review of the feedback we got from individuals who spearheaded the Oscillation project initially.

New Business:

Art Week

Idea: Collaborative Loom

Public Art Tour near Father Marquette/Seven Grandfathers

Public Comment:

Member Comments:

Chair Comments:

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 8:32PM

Respectfully submitted by

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'J. Wagner', written in dark ink.

Jacqueline Wagner, Secretary
Marquette Public Art Commission

5/14/25

Date approved