

The Fourteenth Meeting Minutes of the Public Art Committee

JTCC

9:00 am

June 30, 2022

In Attendance:

- Councillor Steve Wookey
- Laura Woermke, Chair
- John Allen
- April Gazda, Secretary
- regrets Timothy Hedden

DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

MINUTES

Motion by Councillor Wookey – L. Woermke:

THAT: The minutes of the May 20, 2022 meeting to be confirmed.

Carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Appendices – deferred to a future meeting

Policy and Terms of Reference review

Councillor Wookey would like to review the Art Policy and Terms of Reference in the future and take back to Council.

Website – Art page

The Committee discussed setting up a Public Art page on the City's website to host the policy, application form and Terms of Reference as well as pictures of what is in the City's public art inventory. This could provide various reference points around the City and generate more interest in public art.

NEW BUSINESS

Art Trees and Trails Project

The Committee discussed an application that was submitted by the St. Thomas-Elgin Public Art Centre for the Art Trees and Trails Project, with the installation of several pieces located at:

Palmer Memorial Walkway (between Ross Street and the CASO Station)

Hiawatha Trail Entrance going to Athletic Park

Lake Margaret Entrance from Pinafore Park

Trail Entrance in Waterworks Park Trail

Utility Box Waterworks Park

Utility Box Pinafore Park near the Play Arena

Public Washroom

Councillor Wookey – I love all of these. The display of public art in natural and public areas is one of my favourite projects. We know that there may be vandalism in public areas and as long as the community understands the risks, then I wholeheartedly approve of these. The only one that may be an issue is the one that might be in the bathroom. But, again, worth it if the proponent knows the risk.

John - I think it is an interesting idea, any concerns I have were already addressed by Councillor Wookey. Ok to proceed.

Motion by Councillor Wookey – J. Allen:

THAT: The Public Art Committee recommend the Acting Chair prepare a report to Council regarding the Art Trees and Trails Project.

Carried.

NEXT MEETING

TBD

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Councillor Wookey – L. Woermke:

THAT: The meeting be adjourned at 9:10 am.

Carried.