ArtsCommission
Of the
City of Rio Rancho

MINUTES

March 8, 2012
6:00 P.M.
City Hall Parks, Recreation and Community Services Large Conference Room

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MEMBERS PRESENT:
Jaymes Dudding
Krysia Napiorkowski
Joseph McDonnell
Kristi McFarlin
Paula Scott

STAFF PRESENT:
Jay Hart
Roman Montoya

CALL TO ORDER

Jaymes Dudding called the meeting to order at 6: 01 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Jaymes Dudding asked if there was a motion to approve the minutes of February 9, 2012. Krysia Napiorkowski Had some comments and discussion in regards to the missing Bravo Awards that Paula Scott was sending out. They were sent out, but Kristi and Krysia were still missing them-Jay Hart copies from his set and handed them out.

Kyrsia also had questions on page 2 section 2 in the second paragraph of the minutes in regards to the word 'expected'. An amendment was made to strike the word, 'expected' and insert 'to volunteer' on line 27. And, an amendment was also made on line 29 to end the sentence after 'sub committee', striking out all that follows on line 29 and all of line 30.

Krysia Napiorkowski motioned for approval. Seconded by Kristi McFarlin. There was no additional discussion among the members.

The motion passed by a vote 5 for and none against.
Yes: Dudding, Napiorkowski, McDonnell, McFarlin, Scott
No: None
Absent: None

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC (3 MINUTES EACH)

Montie Avery introduced himself as an art collector and claims not to be an artist and does jewelry design. He lives in district 4 and was interested in becoming a commissioner, but since there are already two from that district, he wanted to attend the meeting to see what it was all about and would consider applying for a sub committee when one is needed again.

Chuck Wilkins is the new city councilor for district 1 and will be sworn in on March 12th and attended tonight's meeting to find out more as to what the art commission does. Each commissioner introduced themselves.

PRESENTATIONS

1. Board and Open Meetings Act – Basic Introduction, Roman Montoya, City Clerk.
   Roman reviewed what the open meetings act is about and the process and procedures that all commissions and boards in the city adhere to in order to comply with the open meetings act. He emphasized that the public relies on the minutes from these meetings since it is not recorded and reviewed in detail what quorum is, examples of rolling quorum, etc. He also emphasized the need to adhere strictly to the agenda. Items that do not appear ont he agenda cannot be discussed. Quorum is considered to be 4 or more based on the committee size of 7.

REPORTS

1. UNM Art Project: Jaymes Dudding informed and updated the commission that the contract for UNM/RRC has been signed by the artist and that there would most likely be an article in the Observer this Sunday since a reporter from the Observer interviewed the artist, and UNM to do a story on the project. Jay Hart also informed us that the contract did not spell out that the artist was to pay for permitting fees, so that was not factored in to his budget. Since the wording was missing from the contract, the city found a solution to make amends on that omission so that the artist would not have to be responsible for the permitting fees.

2. HP Art Project: No Updates.

3. SSCAFCA/Gateway Flood Wall project: Jay Hart told the group that on March 14th, the artist is scheduled to do the installation. It was not clear, however if the installation would be done in one day (it did not seem possible). Jay had also asked SSCAFCA if they were going to do a press release and the answer is 'no, they are not'. A dedication ceremony will be planned for a future date.

DISCUSSION AND DELIBERATION

1. **Pat Socci's Proposal for Tree Trunk Sculptures – Recommendation as Art for City Collection, Funding, Relocation.**
   Jay reported back in regards to the resident from North Hills, Pat Socci, who asked the commission at the last meeting if they could find a way to purchase and move some tree sculptures that she had commissioned and paid for. Since she is moving and the HOA at North Hills is not interested in the art, it was hoped that these sculptures could become a part of the city's collection. Jay met with the city manager, James Jimenez and the manager reported that he had no issue in regards to acquisition and no issue with relocating to the proposed site at Gateway. However, the city could not be the entity to remove and move the art. The Art Commission would have to fund it, be responsible for removal and moving it. The city would install and maintain. Funding would have to be done privately and possibly through a fiscal agent by way of a non-profit so that donations could be tax deductible. Jay will report back tot he commission next month with current images of the artwork since there was concern about trying to move forward on this without knowing if it has been vandalized or not.

2. **New Mexico Art – Grant Funding Opportunity.**
   Jaymes Dudding handed out the page from NM Arts Grants web site and asked the commission if this is something we would want to pursue-the deadline for the application is Oct. 2012. Paula Scott brought up that when she reviewed the application and filing guidelines that the 20K award would have to be matched. She was not sure if she read this correctly, but since that would pose a major obstacle, she recommended that everyone go to the website and read it through carefully to see if this would be feasible at all with the stipulations required. It will be discussed at greater length at the next meeting once everyone had a more thorough understanding of what is required for the entire process.

OTHER BUSINESS

Jay will call several commission members tomorrow (Mar. 9) to form a subcommittee for organizing items for the report to the GB in June.

Jay is also researching a question in regards to state capital outlay subject to the 1% for the arts.

ADJOURNMENT

Paula Scott made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Krysia Napiorkowski seconded. There were no comments from the Commission.

There being no further business to come before the Commission, the meeting adjourned at 7:15 P.M.

APPROVED THIS 12th DAY OF APRIL, 2012

Jaymes Dudding, Chairperson

ATTEST:

Dyane Sonier, Resource Development Manager