

## HPAC Minutes

Thursday, May 14, 2015  
Room 426, Fourth Floor, City-County Building  
Helena, MT

Members present: Carol Montgomery, Jim Gilman, Katherine Haque-Hausrath, Shawn White Wolf, John Moore, Bobi Harris, Bart Campbell, Susan Steffens. Staff: Judy Garrity. Kathy Macefield also attended.

### **1. Call meeting to order and establish quorum**

John called the meeting to order at 3:32 p.m. A quorum was present.

### **2. Approve minutes from April's meeting**

Minutes from April were not yet available. John agreed to scribe for the meeting.

### **3. Guest Erin Maxwell and PEAK students**

Two middle-school students described a project to paint a mural at Ray Bjork School. The project will involve students from grades 5, 6, and 7 from all schools as part of the PEAK program. The project will be unveiled May 28 and again May 29 at 11 a.m. The students would like to receive feedback from HPAC members.

### **4. Parking Commission plans for mural on Jackson Street Parking Garage**

Dave Hewitt, Director of the Parking Commission, described the HPC's idea for a mural on the north wall of the garage. HPC had received public comment that the north side needed dressing up. Dave described possible themes related to tourism, Mount Helena, and biking/hiking trails near town. HPAC discussed soliciting proposals for a design or holding a competition. Funding for the project remains a question. The idea is open for further discussion.

### **5. Parking Meter Project**

A brief ceremony on May 15 will unveil the first meter, dedicated to HPAC, in front of the Women's Mural on Broadway. Dave Hewitt said HPC will provide another meter to replace the one that has gone missing.

### **6. Implementation of Art Questionnaire**

HPAC will update its website to announce the questionnaire and provide a link to Survey Monkey. John will deliver printed versions to the three sites announced on the poster. The committee advanced the deadline for responding to June 30.

### **7. Spring Art Walk**

The Spring Art Walk will take place May 15. HPAC will have a site at the Lewis & Clark County Historical Center. Rachel Twoteeth attended the meeting; she will have her art on display at HPAC's site. John will provide music.

### **8. Guest Sandy Fowler**

Sandy displayed two paintings by Fred Stone. She said Mr. Stone is an 85-year-old painter

in California who has done many paintings of race horses; he is now branching out into rodeo scenes. He is interested in drumming up business in Helena.

**9. Other business**

**A. Chalk Up Helena!**

HPAC will have flyers and registration forms at the Art Walk May 15.

**B. Helena Citizens' Council**

No news.

**C. Economic impact study**

John reported on his discussion with Steve Lee at the Archie Bray Foundation about its Economic Impact Study. Kathy reported on her conversation with a person working for City of Missoula; the City had done a study related to public art. The committee continued its discussion of the merits of doing a study for Helena. The results of the public art survey will provide input into doing the study

**10. Public comment**

Kathy circulated a newspaper photo of a Vigilante Parade float that feature public art in Helena.

**11. The meeting adjourned at 4:40 p.m.**

**12. Next meeting: June 11, 2015**