

Minutes

Public Art Advisory Commission Meeting

December 9, 2024, 5:00 p.m. Winfield Room, Municipal Hall 10150 Bottom Wood Lake Road Lake Country, British Columbia V4V 2M1

Council Present:	Mayor Blair Ireland
Council Absent:	Councillor Michael Lewis
Staff Present:	Makayla Ablitt, Legislative Technical Clerk Ryan Donn, Cultural Development Coordinator Steve Petryshyn, Parks and Landscape Planner
Committee Members Present:	Sharon McCoubrey, Chair Janice Larson Pipa Dean-Veerman

1. Call to Order

We acknowledge that we are conducting our business today on the unceded territory of squilx"/syilx (Okanagan) peoples. As a Commission, we recognize the importance of doing our best to build respectful relationships that contribute to stewarding the land and waters in the community with integrity and consideration for future generations.

The Chair called the meeting to order at 5:04 p.m.

2. Adoption of Agenda

It was moved and seconded

THAT the Public Art Advisory Commission Meeting Agenda of December 9, 2024 be adopted.

Carried.

3. Adoption of Minutes

It was moved and seconded

THAT the Public Art Advisory Commission Meeting Minutes of September 9, 2024 be adopted. **Carried.**

4. Traffic Circle Energy Project

Janice Larson has had in-formal discussions with potential donors. A common question among the donors was how much money the District is putting into the project. Ryan Donn confirmed with The Director of Finance that the District is able to provide tax receipts to donors for the project.

It was noted that BC Hydro recently held a call for independent power production.

Sharon McCoubrey asked for more information on the PAAC's impact and funds for 2025.

To assist with the grant application process, the Commission discussed it is important to determine what the sculpture will be. Janice Larson noted it is important to take into consideration any restrictions such as setbacks, specific design features for traffic (opacity/sight lines), and how big the space is. Steve Petryshyn will help determining restrictions.

The Commission discussed potential opportunities to participate in the aesthetic of the new EV Charging Stating on Pelmewash.

The Commission further discussed setting deadlines for the Traffic Circle Energy Project. It was determined it will take longer than one year to produce necessary funding however, parts such as what the sculpture will be and restrictions can be sorted out within the first quarter of 2025. No connections to artists that may be interested in this type of work have been made.

5. Artworks Maintenance

Arranging the Pelmewash sculpture maintenance during the summer was difficult, and October was too late. Maintenance will now need to wait until spring of 2025.

6. Birdhouse Sculpture

Two new bird sculptures were installed. There are still funds for one sculpture. Sharon McCoubrey will ask Byron Johnson. The honorarium is \$2,000.00.

7. PAAC Membership

Emma Simpson and Janet Stein have submitted statements for their interest in being members of the Commission. Sharon McCoubrey and Janice Larson will reach out to another potential member. All four applicants will be brought to Council at one time.

At the next meeting there will be a vote for the PAAC Chair for 2025. Janice Larson noted if there were members of the Commission currently that wanted the Chair position she would happily step aside, but as there have been no indications, she will happily take on the roll.

The Commission discussed with Staff there is no opportunity to increase the meeting times from quarterly.

Following the appointment of a new Chair for 2025, Sharon McCoubrey will make a presentation to Council and introduce Janice Larson.

The Commission discussed the best time of year to ask for the PAAC Budget to be increased.

8. PAAC Inventory

Sharon McCoubrey noted this is still in progress.

9. PAAC Archives

Sharon McCoubrey has a full filing cabinet drawer of PAAC Information that she will pass on the Janice as the new chair. The Commission discussed if there is a desire to keep anything for PAAC, or if the museum could take part in keeping archives.

Pippa Dean-Veerman noted that keeping things of relevance going forward could be useful to future committee members as examples of good work.

Could look at posting on the DLC website once a month regarding PAAC archives.

Ryan Donn will meet with the social media manager for Creekside Theatre for a proposal to collaborate with Sharon McCoubrey to post PAAC Archives on the District website once a month.

10. PAAC Mandate

The Commission discussed art being displayed in Lake Country with out PAAC consultation. It was determined this happens frequently through other avenues.

The Commission discussed the Terms of Reference. Sharon McCoubrey mentioned that it will be helpful to review the PAAC Terms of Reference to ensure an accurate interpretation of clauses related to our mandate.

11. Other

Margaret Kyle inquired about a temporary space for her ArtWalk sculpture. The commission discussed it be placed in the Municipal Hall Foyer and whether an honorarium for the sculpture was appropriate.

Sharon McCoubrey will send dimensions of the artwork to Steve Petryshyn who will coordinate with Shaun Lesowski, Parks & Facilities Manager whether the Municipal Hall foyer is a feasible space for the sculpture.

The Commission discussed covering the new metal covering panels in the Municipal Hall stairwell with a photo of Lake Country, or artwork from a local artist. The Commission walked to look at the coverings and discussed colouring, and potential photos.

It was moved and seconded

THAT Margaret Kyle be offered \$1,000.00 honorarium for 6 months art placement in the Muni Hall Foyer if approved by the Parks & Facilities Manager, Shaun Lesowski.

Carried.

It was moved and seconded

THAT Staff renew the Creative City Network of Canada subscription for 2025.

Carried.

12. Next Meeting

March 3, 2025 for the next meeting

13. Adjournment

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 6:48 p.m.

Sharon McCoubrey, Chair

Makayla Ablitt, Recording Secretary