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Rosalyn Kelly



John Escobedo

Mike Yawn

MINUTES OF THE HUNTSVILLE ARTS COMMISSION MEETING
Thursday, October 21, 2021, 5:00 P.M.
Huntsville Public Library, 1219 13th Street
Huntsville, Texas 77340

Commissioners Present: Margaret Smith, Rosalyn Kelly, Paul Olle, John Escobedo, Betsy Maloney, Jaspyr Sanford, Mike Yawn

Staff Present: Sarah Faulkner, Tammy Gann, Caitlin King, and Abbie Staiger

- I. Call the meeting to order: The meeting was called to order at 5:03 p.m. by Margaret Smith.
- II. Consider the minutes October 14, 2021: Jaspyr Sandford made a motion to approve the minutes of October 14, 2021. John Escobedo seconded, and all members present approved.
- III. Hear citizen input: There was no citizen input.
- IV. Update from Cultural Services Manager:
 - Sarah Faulkner introduced Mike Yawn as the new member of the Arts Commission, and she also introduced Abbie Staiger as the Wynne Home's Intern.
 - Sarah Faulkner informed the commissioners on the upcoming events which include the Day of the Dead event, the Area Artists' Show, and the upcoming workshops. She also announced that the next Arts Commission meeting will be held on November 11th at the Huntsville Public Library, and she reminded the Commission members that there will not be a meeting in December.

- Faulkner also reminded to turn in a conflict-of-interest form if necessary, and to step out of the room for discussions in which the Commission member has a conflict of interest.
- Faulkner informed the Commission that staff will send out the award letters to the applicants the next business day.
- Faulkner also reminded the Commission that the total funding available was \$44,000, and the Commission could not afford to fully fund all projects.

V. Consider current Huntsville Arts Commission funded projects.

- Faulkner informed the Commission that she spoke with Jill Whitten, and Whitten will put together a formal quote for mounting and maintaining the Harry Ahysen piece.
- The Commission decided to set aside \$6,000 of their funds for the Ahysen piece.
 - Paul Olle made a motion to hold \$6,000 of the funds for the Ahysen piece, and it was seconded by Margaret Smith.
 - The motion passed with a 7-0 vote.
- The Commission also decided to extend Chuck Fields' contract.
 - A motion was made by Margaret Smith to extend Chuck Field's contract with no additional funding, and it was seconded by Rosalyn Kelly.
 - The motion passed with a 7-0 vote.

VI. Consider proposals for arts projects for FY 21-22:

- Members of the Huntsville Arts Commission considered the Ballet Folklórico project. After discussion, they approved \$5,000 of funding.
- Members of the Huntsville Arts Commission considered the Corazon Folklórico project. After discussion, they approved \$5,000 of funding.
 - A motion was made by Paul Olle to approve the funding of \$5,000 to both Ballet Folklórico and Corazon Folklórico and seconded by Rosalyn Kelly.
 - The motion passed with a 6-0 vote.
- Members of the Huntsville Arts Commission considered the Telling our Story project. After discussion, they approved \$5,000 of funding.
- Members of the Huntsville Arts Commission considered the Huntsville Men's Choir project. After discussion, they approved to fully fund the project with \$3,560 of funding.
- Members of the Huntsville Arts Commission considered the 2022 Texas Music Series project. After discussion, they approved to fully fund the project with \$5,000 of funding.
 - A motion was made to fully fund the 2022 Texas Music Series by Paul Olle, and it was seconded by Rosalyn Kelly.
 - The motion passed with a 6-0 vote.
- Members of the Huntsville Arts Commission considered the Cinco de Mayo project. After discussion, they approved to fully fund the project with \$5,000 of funding.

- Members of the Huntsville Arts Commission considered The Lone Star in the East project. After discussion, they approved \$6,000 of funding.
- A motion to approve the funding of the Telling our Story project with \$5,000 of funding, the Huntsville Men's Choir with \$3,650 of funding, the Cinco de Mayo project with \$5,000 of funding, and The Lone Star in the East project with \$6,000 of funding was made by Paul Olle, and it was seconded by Rosalyn Kelly.
 - The motion passed with a 7-0 vote.
- The unallocated funds will remain in the budget until 9-30-22 for projects to be determined.

VII. Adjourn the meeting:

- A motion to end the meeting was made by Margaret Smith, and it was seconded by Rosalyn Kelly. The meeting was adjourned at 6:09pm.