



SOOKE PROGRAM OF THE ARTS COMMITTEE
Wednesday, August 31, 2016 at 9:30 am
Location: Municipal Meeting Room

AGENDA

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1. Call to Order	
2. Approval of Agenda	
3. Approval of Minutes: July 27, 2016	1
4. Update: Art Inventory / Brochure	
5. Update: Telus Building	
6. Gateway Project: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Danica Rice, Godfrey Medhurst (10:30)	
7. Update: Policy Review	
8. Next Meeting: September 28, 2016 at 9:30am	
9. Adjournment	



MEETING MINUTES

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Committee:	Sooke Program of the Arts (SPA) Committee		
Date:	July 27, 2016	Call to Order Time:	

Attendees:

Drew Johnston, Chair	P	Lorna Cospers	P
Councillor Brenda Parkinson	P	Linda Bristol	A
Bob Tully	P	Danica Rice, Staff	P
Brianna Shambrook	P		
Frederique Philip	P		
John David Russell	P		
Linda Anderson	P		

P-Present, A-Absent, G-Guest

Approval of the Agenda:	July 27, 2016	Moved	√	Carried	√
Amendments					
Approval of Minutes:	June 29, 2016	Moved	√	Carried	√
Amendments					

Agenda Topic:	Communities in Bloom Recap
Presenter:	Drew Johnston & Brenda Parkinson
Discussion:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Downtown redevelopment and Sunriver Community Gardens were mentioned as the most popular sites by the judges. Broad discussion on all aspects of Communities in Bloom including whether to continue every year, staff input and amount of effort required. Discussion of cost of report- additional copies and memory stick of report forwarded to staff for retention. Discussion of areas for improvement- better report including reference to all factors in order that judges prefer, greater municipal employee participation. Mary Brooke passed on a page of suggestions for next time.
Motion:	TO accept the Communities in Bloom follow-up report as presented to the SPA Committee. CARRIED

Agenda Topic:	Arts Program Policy Review
Presenter:	Drew Johnston & John Russell

<p>Discussion:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Arts Program Policy and Terms of Reference to be reviewed concurrently by Drew Johnston John Russell, Lorna Cospers and Brianna Shambrook. No action has been taken by staff on revised terms of reference that were already submitted to council. Recommendations for policy amendments will be made to council and staff. Municipality is evaluating committee structures and policies beginning in late 2016. Council recently passed a motion to have arts applications reviewed by the committee. This would occur about the time that the committee's term is to expire. Ensuring an arts committee, as in other municipalities, on a more permanent basis is necessary. It does not cost the district.
<p>Motion: THAT a working group, consisting of Drew Johnston, John Russell, Lorna Cospers and Brianna Shambrook be established to review arts policies from other municipalities and Sooke's existing arts policy for recommendations to council and staff. CARRIED</p>

Agenda Topic:	Inventory of Art and Brochure
Presenter:	Linda Anderson
<p>Discussion:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The need to create an inventory of artwork that the district is responsible for was discussed and supported. An expanded inventory of this art and other public art in the community that Sooke is not responsible for was discussed. From an expanded inventory a brochure or book of community art could be prepared. The production could be used to guide people on an arts tour of Sooke. A working group consisting of Linda Anderson, Frederique Phillip, Brianna Shambrook and Brenda Parkinson was established and will start taking pictures of local public artwork and create the starting inventory. 	
<p>Motion: That a working group be established to create an inventory of district and public art work and a publication be produced that will highlight the artwork for possible self-guided tours. CARRIED</p>	

Agenda Topic:	Next Steps: Gateway Input
Presenter:	Drew Johnston
<p>Discussion:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Gateway area discussion included various signage and possible incorporation of artwork. Historical artifacts (machinery) parking or pullout areas discussed. Major impacts: Museum and SEAPARC. Those involved in Gateway project to be invited to next meeting to brief members. 	

Agenda Topic:	Telus Building Mural
Presenter:	Drew Johnston

<p>Discussion:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mention was made that the Communities in Blooms judges did not find the Telus building very attractive in its prominent location downtown. • The possibility of approaching Telus to fund the preparation of a mural on the building and landscape its front property was discussed. There is a need to have the committee complete a major public artwork. • A working group of Brenda Parkinson, Drew Johnston and John Russell was established to enter into discussions with Telus. Brenda Parkinson is to establish initial contact.
<p>Motion: That a working group be established to enter into discussions with Telus to complete a mural and landscaping at their building in downtown Sooke. CARRIED</p>

Agenda Topic:	Other Future Project Ideas				
Presenter:	Bob Tully				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Initiate a list of various arts/community events, which could be incorporated into promotional banners concurrent with upcoming activities. • Banners could be designed by various artists to display such events. • Installation of banners could be at designated lamp posts on a seasonal rotation. 					
<p>Motion: That Bob Tully research the idea and present back to the Committee. CARRIED</p>					

Next Meeting:	August 31, 2016				
Adjournment Time:	12:00 p.m.	Moved	√	Carried	√

Committee Chair