

## COMMISSION ON CULTURAL DEVELOPMENT

Friday, August 2, 2024 – 8:30 am Penobscot Room at Penquis CAP, 262 Harlow Street

## **AGENDA**

- 1. Welcome
- 2. Meeting Minutes June 7, 2024
- 3. Report of Chair
- 4. Financial Report
- 5. Committee Reports
  - Grant Committee
  - Cultural Asset Committee
  - ARTober Committee
- 6. Staff Updates
  - Public Restrooms Art Project
  - Pickering Park Art Installation
- 7. Other Business
  - Public Space for Artists
  - Other
- 8. Adjourn

Next meeting: September 6



## **Commission on Cultural Development** June 7, 2024 Penobscot Room at Penquis CAP, 262 Harlow Street

## Meeting Minutes

<u>Commissioners Present</u>: Hollie Adams, Shane Boyes, Kelly Chenot, Cody Clark (via Zoom), Nina Earley, Kal Elmore, Barbara McDade, Samantha Schipani, Lovern Stockwell

Others: Anne Krieg – Director of Development, Sarah Maquillan – Development Assistant

- 1. A quorum being present the June 7, 2024 meeting of the Commission on Cultural Development was called to order by Chair Earley at 8:34 AM.
- 2. Welcome New member Shane Boyes introduced to the Commission. Chair Earley led introductions of Commissioners.
- 3. Meeting Minutes Motion passed to approve the minutes of the May 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting.
- 4. Report of Chair Chair Earley reported that all grant funding recommendations had been approved by City Council. Bangor Beautiful murals have been started and pop-up art show by Merrilee Schoen will be later this summer. Reported that at the budget meeting, \$20,000 was approved for grants and \$2,500 was approved for ARTober. Commissioners discussed several ideas for distribution of events calendar since this project was not funded for this year.
- 5. Financial Report No change from last month; no questions.
- 6. Committee Reports:
  - a. Grants Committee Chair Adams reported no update as spring grants were just awarded. Mentioned suggestion to evenly split \$20,000 budget across both grant cycles in the future. Commissioners discussed and expressed agreement with this, with flexibility to award more than \$10,000 per cycle if Commissioners agree to do so. Committee Chair Adams brought up rising costs and asked if this budget should be increased in the future. Development Director Anne Krieg will follow up on this.
  - b. Cultural Assets As Committee Chair Greenlaw was not present, no update given.
  - c. ARTober Committee Chair Earley reported that she will call first meeting after final budget is approved.
- 7. Public Restroom Art Project Development Director Krieg presented the agenda item and reported that Commission has been asked to manage this project. Chair Earley asked about the timeline – Krieg responded restrooms will probably be installed some this year, and that she will send specs to Commissioners. Earley asked if the commissioned artist(s) will be paid for their work, and whether it will be a public commissioning process. Vice Chair Adams expressed that it would be nice to have five different artists and asked if they need to be Bangor-based. Krieg responded that she will follow up on these questions. Commissioners discussed commissioning process and possible payment of artists.
- 8. Public Sculpture Project Chair Earley reported that this project was cut from the budget, but that Wabanaki Public Health & Wellness has expressed interest in taking this on themselves. Asked if the



City would be okay with this. Development Director Krieg responded that she will follow up on this; Krieg and Earley discussed possible grant funding.

- 9. Other Business
  - a. Next meeting will be on August 2 no meeting in July due to holiday.
  - b. Commissioners asked if updates on final approved budget could be sent via email as long as there is no discussion outside of public meetings Development Director Krieg confirmed this.
  - c. Sub-committees are welcome to meet in July even though full Commission not meeting.
- 10. Adjourned at 9:23 AM.