

**Town of La Pointe
Public Arts Committee
Wednesday, August 4, 2021
10:00 a.m. at Town Hall
Minutes**

Members present: Susan Sabre; Chair, Robin Trinko Russell, Peg Bertel and Mary Whittaker
Members absent: Sally Brown
Town Staff present: Michael Kuchta, Town Administrator

1. Call to Order/Roll Call

The Public Arts Committee meeting was called to order by Susan Sabre, Chair on Wednesday, August 4, 2021 at 10:06 a.m. A quorum of the committee is present as reflected in the members listed above.

2. Public Comment – 1 minute

None

3. Minutes of the following meetings to be considered for approval:

A. July 7, 2021

Motion by Mary to approve the Public Arts Committee minutes of July 7, 2021 as presented, second by Peggy. All in favor, all ayes. Motion Carried.

4. Selection of Committee Chair/Vice-Chair

- No action taken.
- Susan encouraged committee members to talk to people about joining this committee.

5. Committee Projects Discussion

A. Gateway to the Community Project

- Discussion on timeline on when to have work done.
- Robin will have tree stump ground at her cost.
- Discussion on copyright and royalty fee request from Lisa Kosmo.

1. La Pointe Center to purchase sculpture

a. Contracting with Lisa Kosmo and North Shore Steel

Susan talked to Max Imholte who has agreed to help with contracts for the artwork at no charge.

Susan went over estimates received for the project so far:

La Pointe Center to cover -

Lisa Kosmo, Sculpture	\$10,860
Northshore Steel - Steel work	8,900
Engineering	2,000
Support framing	unknown

b. Contracting for construction of the base

Charlie Meech/MISA to cover thru the La Pointe Center -

Cooper Engineering –	
concrete foundation engineering	2,160
Soil Testing	unknown
Concrete	unknown

c. Contracting with Arnie Nelson for sculpture placement

No discussion

2. Fundraising

- Sally e-mailed that she checked the Wisconsin Arts Board for possible grant opportunities. They do have something that looks like a good fit, but applications are not due until January.
- Mary checked with:
 - Pace Woods who gives grants for arts/education to 501c3 in Ashland County.. Peg said the La Pointe Center already applies for funds.
 - Duluth Superior Area Community Foundation gives grants for arts/education in Ashland County. There is a funding cycle in February that looks to fit our needs.
- Peg will check with Ann Katz at Arts Wisconsin
- Susan mentioned writing an article in the Gazette looking for donations and the Island Association for the sign.

3. Commemorative Plaque

4. Dedication Ceremony

B. Other Projects – benches

6. Fundraising for Public Art

7. Recommendations to Town Board

8. Public Comment – 5 minutes

9. Set next Meeting Agenda and Date

Zoom meeting scheduled for Tuesday, August 17, 2021@ 10 a.m.

Next regular meeting scheduled for Wednesday, September 1, 2021, 10:00 a.m. at Town Hall.

10. Adjourn

Minutes taken from recording and respectfully submitted by Dorgene Goetsch, Clerical Assistant
Minutes approved as presented 9/1/2021. Dorgene Goetsch, Clerical Assistant