

Monroe County Art in Public Places Committee
Meeting Minutes
Monday – January 7, 2013 – 3:00 p.m.
First State Bank – Marathon

Call to order

Nance Frank called the meeting to order at 3:06 p.m.

In attendance were Committee members: Nance Frank, Beth Kaminstein, Sue D'Antonio, Jeffrey Harwell and Nancy Perez Miller. Staff: Liz Young, Jodell Roberts

Welcome new member, Nancy Perez Miller

Nance congratulated Nancy Perez Miller on her appointment and welcomed her to the Committee.

Nominate Chair & Vice Chair

Motion: Jeff moved to nominate Sue as Chair of the committee; seconded by Beth. The motion passed unanimously.

Motion: Beth moved to nominate Jeff as Vice Chair; seconded by Nance. The motion passed unanimously.

Approval of Minutes of October 1, 2012

Motion: Nance moved to approve the October 1, 2012 minutes; seconded by Beth. The motion was passed unanimously.

Upcoming Projects – Status Update

KW Airport – Current work at the airport is the re-siting of the Whitehead Street Pottery installation done in 1999 from the downstairs arrival terminal to the new upstairs departure terminal. The piece needed to be moved to allow the installation of an additional luggage conveyor belt. The artwork will have increased visibility at its new location and improved lighting. The work, which will be paid by the airport, has been approved by Peter Horton, Airport Director, and artists have been consulted. Reen Stanhouse, a vendor who has a good relationship with airport staff, has been working on the project and coordinating with Larry, Peter Horton's assistant.

Motion: Nance moved to keep the re-siting of the Whitehead Street Pottery installation moving; Beth seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

KW Airport 2nd phase – The budget is approximately \$3,000. The budget information for this project needs to be updated and Liz will contact Tina Boan, Budget Director.

Conch Key Fire Station – Bill Horn is the architect and the budget is \$15,797.15 – Construction has resumed and the building anticipated to be completed in two to four months. The RFP is in process for exterior work. Liz showed photos of the site taken by Mike Nalepa about 10 days prior to the meeting. Two suggestions for non-voting members have been submitted to the County Administrator's office. We are awaiting the appointments. Discussion followed as to other suggestions for non-voting members. Beth offered to contact the fire station and ask who would be interested in being a non-voting member. The RFP is expected to go out this month. Nance suggested that Ed Riley, who is an engineer well qualified to evaluate the location of art, be consulted.

Motion: Nance made a motion that Ed Reilly be consulted regarding the location of fine art; seconded by Nancy. The motion passed unanimously.

Liz will contact Mr. Reilly to inform him that the committee would like him to evaluate locations for fine art.

Stock Island Fire Station – Bill Horn is the architect and the budget is approximately \$27,000.

Marathon Court House – Budget \$8,186.32. The RFP will be completed as recommended by Engineering now that work has resumed. Who the two non-voting members are will need to be confirmed with the County Administrator.

Freeman Justice Center – Lobby renovations are being planned and have been budgeted. Engineering will advise the AIPP committee when bids are in. There is a good chance renovations will exceed \$100,000 and will therefore qualify for the 1% for public art. Drug Court renovations are being paid by 16th Judicial Court and not part of the 1% for public art under County Ordinance. At present, renovation is not ready to start.

Marathon Court House – There was discussion regarding including the Conch Key Fire Station and the Marathon Courthouse projects in one RFP, where an artist could apply for either or both projects. Liz stated that she will need to consult with County Legal and Financing Departments to determine if this can be done.

Request for Qualification The RFQ is posted and available. The deadline for submission is January 17th, 2013. Nance suggested including Artist in Public Places images and to put notice in *Paradise* magazine. Liz will send a few images to *Paradise* and will also contact people at the South Florida Cultural Consortium and ask to put out RFQ.

Consideration and discussion: Welcome orientation packet for AIPP members. There is a new AIPP welcome package that contains the last two years of meeting minutes, completed projects with photos and By-laws. Liz will send to Beth via email with a copy of a budget, gift & loan policy and County ordinance.

The following projects have been placed on hold by the BOCC as of March 18, 2009:
Old Tavernier School and Jefferson Brown Bldg.
Marathon Emergency Operations Center – Design phase (no funds available)

Other business – African Cemetery update. Kevin Wilson has requested that Mr. Tinney put his request for changes to the African Cemetery in writing, but so far he has not done it. There was a discussion of the history of African Cemetery.

Gift & Loan Policy – Kevin Wilson has advised Liz that he will put the Gift and Loan policy on the BOCC agenda for approval.

There was discussion of the current status of the WPA murals located at Glynn Archer Elementary School. It is not clear or known what role the Key West Art in Public Places Committee will play regarding the WPA murals. At a meeting at Old City Hall regarding the Truman Waterfront, Liz spoke to Don Craig, Director of Planning for Key West, about her research with restorers for the murals. Bert Bender may be the architect for the restoration of the school building. Liz will let him know that the murals are not attached to the wall. Don Craig invited Liz to come to a meeting with Bert Bender. Craig Cates is very interested in the murals. Nance suggested Ivan Volchev is an inexpensive and very good restorer. The City now owns the building and plans to use the stage at the building where the murals are presently located.

Liz showed a site plan of the development of the Truman Waterfront she was given at a meeting with the Key West Planning Department. She and others were asked to promote the amphitheatre. Discussion of the proposed amphitheatre followed.

The committee discussed options for Slow Art Day. Jeff suggested a movie at The Tropic, and a mini walk to the Customs House. Morada Way could be a good place and it was suggested that Nancy contact Daniela Woody.

The next three AIPP meetings were set as follows: February 4th at 3:30 p.m. at the Gato in Key West; March 11th in Marathon at 3:00 p.m. and the April 22nd meeting in Key West at The Gato at 4:00 PM.

The FAPAP conference is May 9, 10, and 11 in St. Petersburg, Florida. Liz will email information to the committee. At this point, it is not certain if Key West will be hosting the FAPAP conference in 2014 or 2015.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:03 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:
Jodell Roberts, Business Manager