



## **7. Guest Presentation re: Draft Design, Towpath Horse Project, PDBWC**

The presenters were unable to attend the meeting. R. Cann reported on their behalf following a meeting that she and M. Bronson had attended with the artist and project leadership. R. Cann described the proposed design concept and additions to the artistic team. The committee had questions related to:

- Single sourcing of an artist – there was not an open call
- Public release of the design concept – planned in May to assist with fundraising
- The cost of the project – draft budget is not yet provided
- Maintenance requirements – detailed information has been shared with staff
- Timeline – to be determined

**Motion to accept the report on the project.**

Moved: S. Remus

Carried.

## **8. Business**

### **8.1. Civic Art Collection**

#### **(a) Centennial Totem Pole**

No report.

#### **(b) Plaques – Draft Commemoration Policy**

Staff outlined the additions to the draft policy and how it relates to the committee's purposes. Members provided feedback on the draft.

**Motion to rescind the motion of March 4, 2016, Item 8.1.b**

Moved: M. Zuberec      Carried.

**Motion to approve the revised policy with the suggested title of City of St. Catharines Commemorative Plaques and Interpretive Signage Policy - Draft**

Moved: M. Zuberec      Carried.

#### **(c) Potential Donations**

##### **(i) GM painting by Paul Lee, 1983**

Deferred

##### **(ii) Portrait by Prynce Nesbitt**

The committee reviewed the work in person. Staff will look to get a professional evaluation completed before the next meeting and

then the committee members will evaluate the work using the Rating System for Public Art.

(iii) Spirit of St. Catharines

Staff discussed the background of the work and the issues of ownership and copyright. The artist is scheduled to make a presentation at the next meeting. The work will then move through the donation process for consideration in the Civic Art Collection.

(d) Acquisition – Lichen V, Melanie MacDonald

S. Remus declared a conflict of interest and left the meeting. The committee reviewed the results of the Rating System for Public Art that was completed prior to the meeting.

**Motion to acquire Lichen V, Melanie MacDonald for accessioning into the Civic Art Collection.**

Moved: C. Chin Yet      Carried.

(e) Updates

Staff have been moving art throughout City Hall in preparation for the new 3<sup>rd</sup> floor gallery.

**Motion to accept the report on the Civic Art Collection.**

Moved: E. Thorpe      Carried.

**8.2. Public Art**

(a) City Hall Exhibits

(i) Art Me Up

Sponsors have been secured for the exhibit! Staff invited the committee to the opening and updated them on the [exhibit](#) schedule.

(ii) Theme for Juried Exhibition, 2017

Members shared some theme ideas including: Elements, Canada 150, and Streets. A final decision is required at the June meeting.

(iii) City Hall Sculpture

Funds are not available to continue with the project at this time. Kernel Memory will be removed in October.

(b) FirstOntario Performing Arts Centre

(i) Digital Art Wall

The wall is not functioning as expected. New software may be required. The artist is currently working on a still photographic work to upload. S. Remus provided an update on what the Niagara Artists Centre is doing for the wall, including receipt of a grant to lead a professional development program for artists to prepare for future commissions.

(ii) Fall 2016 Algoma Lobby exhibits

A call to artists will be released for the upper Partridge Hall lobby. A single series from one artist will be the focus of the call.

(iii) Film House Gallery plans

- Potential partner exhibit with NAC

The option of an exhibit of photographs by George S. Zimbel and its relation to the Film House programming was shared by S. Remus. Members asked questions.

**Motion for staff to pursue more information, working with the Niagara Artists Centre for future consideration.**

Moved: C. Chin Yet      Carried.

(iv) Commission

There is no update on Amy Friend's work.

(c) Canada 150

Staff shared possible public art project ideas at Centennial Gardens and City Hall for consideration in a Canada 150 project. The relationship of these sites to the commemoration was discussed as was funds available to leverage a grant.

**Motion to move forward with Canada 150 Grant Application for Public Art in Centennial Gardens.**

Moved: C. Chin Yet      Carried.

(d) Murals – Centennial Gardens Park project

No report.

(e) Developing a List of Potential Sites for Future Public Art

Deferred

(f) Public Art - Meridian Centre  
Deferred

**Motion to accept the report on Public Art.**

Moved: M. Zuberec                      Carried.

**8.3. Hospital Artwork Acquisition Policy**  
Deferred

**8.4. Policy Review and Development**  
Deferred

**8.5. Report from Cultural Services Office**

R. Cann reported on the following topics:

- Preparations for the [Arts Awards](#) on June 4 and the presentation of a Lifetime Achievement in the Arts Award to Edward Burtynsky
- [SCCIP applications](#) are now available – a cultural funding newsletter was distributed in May. Signup is on the City's website. Deadline for SCCIP applications is June 17.
- The Welland Canal Fallen Workers Memorial design is moving forward and an update on fundraising was provided.
- The operations of the Lakeside Park Carousel have been moved from Recreation Programming to the St. Catharines Museum. Cultural Services continues to maintain oversight of restoration-related duties.
- The Arts and Culture Advisory Committee is beginning conversations related to the implementation of the [Culture Plan](#). A subcommittee has been created and some involvement of a PAAC member may be suggested at a later date.

**Motion to accept the report from Cultural Services Office.**

Moved: S. Remus                      Carried.

**8.6. Other Business**

Members discussed upcoming meetings and the summer schedule.

**Motion to suspend Public Art Advisory Committee meetings in July and August, with staff to arrange a special meeting if required.**

Moved: S. Remus                      Carried.

**9. Date of next meeting**

June 17, 2016 – 3 p.m., Burgoyne Woods Room, City Hall

**10. Motion to Adjourn**

Moved: M. Zuberec

Carried.

**Attachments provided at or in advance of the meeting:**

- Design concept for Towpath Horse, Port Dalhousie Lock Plaza and artists' biography
- Commemoration and Plaque Policy – Revised Draft
- Evaluation materials for art acquisition consideration (Lichen V)
- Links to City webpages for:
  - [www.stcatharines.ca/exhibits](http://www.stcatharines.ca/exhibits)
  - [www.stcatharines.ca/artsawards](http://www.stcatharines.ca/artsawards)
  - [www.stcatharines.ca/sccip](http://www.stcatharines.ca/sccip)
  - [www.stcatharines.ca/cultureplan](http://www.stcatharines.ca/cultureplan)