

City of South Portland
Arts and Historic Preservation Committee
Meeting
December 7, 2016
Planning Department, Sawyer & Ocean Sts.
MINUTES

Present: Doreen Gay, Hannah Holmes, Liz Salamone, Aimée Turner, Scott Whitaker

Absent: Kathy DiPhilippo, Adrian Dowling, Tex Haeuser, Alessa Wylie

Scott called the meeting to order at 8:07am.

1. Review of minutes: Minutes accepted with no changes.
2. MILLCREEK DESIGN UPDATE. Opportunities continue to be signage and public art.
3. PORTLAND PUBLIC ART COMMITTEE: Aimée contacted Julia Kirby, who put the contact person at Portland Public Art Committee in touch with Scott. They are eager to be an educational resource re: best practices, art solicitation & selection guidelines, etc. Other questions for them: public funds / grants / “percent-for-arts”. Perhaps we can tap into them for the Millcreek art selection process.
4. VACANCIES ON THE AHPC: Councilor Morgan must present a candidate. Doreen Gay (present) is soon to be formally appointed by Councilor Beecher.
5. LANDSCAPING AT HIGH SCHOOL: Liz has been in contact with Tonya at the high school. A successful grant was written that resulted in a plan (+/- \$70k). We continue to want an art student or teacher on the Public Art Subcommittee. Dara the Art Department head is currently out on leave; Scott requests that Liz send a summary thank you to Tonya on behalf of AHPC.
6. NEW MEMBER PACKETS: Tabled until January. Doreen remarks that the information available, especially minutes, are helpful in introducing a new committee member to the work of the AHPC.
7. LIBRARY: Aimée reports on her presentation at the Library Advisory Board (LAB) meeting. Library has been presented with our offer to provide whatever assistance we can. Reception by the LAB was positive. Library has a list of needs and wants as far as updates and maintenance (inside & out), but may need help developing a Master Plan. Scott: they need an RFP – a library consultant – city appropriation. Aimée has invited Kevin Davis and Library Board members to attend an AHPC meeting; Scott will also extend an invitation to Kevin and to Linda Eastman (chair of the LAB) to attend our January meeting.
8. No new business.

Next meeting: January 4, 8am, Planning Office.

Meeting adjourned 9:07am.