



Meeting Type: Regular Meeting
 Meeting Location: McConnell Center room 323
 Meeting Date: 2-5-18
 Meeting Time: **6:30 p.m.**

1. Call to order / Minutes

Jane Hamor

Sean Perry – guest from Wrongbrain

Sam – guest from Wrongbrain

Adam – guest from Wrongbrain, illustrator, designer

Darcie – guest from Wrongbrain

Yulia Rothernberg

Aimee Blesing

Monica Nagle

Pamela Becker

Linnea Nemeth

Serena Duckrow Fonda

Kim Schuman

Maria Ayer

Brian Cartier

Alison Castelot

Absent: Dennis Shanahan, Amanda Nelson

Call to order 6:34

Minutes approved

2. Henry Law Mural update (Jane, Brian)

Brian brought a rendering of the mural. We need approvals still. Kids want to add quotes to the water area of the map. Brian has one puzzle piece, it's at the Teen Center. 5'x7'+ Chinberg offered Brian a place to work with the kids on the project – old home of Everproven Crossfit (donated space, will need to add them to the Donor list).

Jane provided first rendition to Gary Bannon, who offered suggestions. Brian made modifications to make it more water-like. Jane provided update to Gary, he sent to Mike Joyal (city manager). Mike is now communicating with city attorney, to make sure that to put up artwork in Dover we aren't violating ordinances. The committee thinks this is silly. Gary wants to present design to the pool committee. And was looking into sign ordinances, in terms of how to attach to building. Gary thought Mike was going to decide that we needed to present this to city council. Jane and Kim believe that we have already followed the correct steps for this, might be just a phone call to Mike Joyal to remind him that we followed the right steps. Painting hasn't started yet because we don't have approval. Dave Bamford agreed to do fundraising for us, Jane wrote up two-page explanation of project, how much funding and what it's for, provided to Dave. He's holding off until we have design approvals.

Brian clarifies design – land mass will be filled by community day event where residents can come and place a handprint on the map. Puzzle pieces are to be mounted at different depths.



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Kim asks about press release – Jane confirms we should hold off, or a very simple version that says we got the grant and we’re working on it. Brian suggests we include interactive project component in initial press release, Monica agrees this is a good idea.

Jane will speak to Mike before press release, and will speak to Gary about his thoughts on if we should include community day thing.

Kim needs to speak to people to confirm their quotes.

3. Chestnut St Mural Project Up-date(Jane)

No update. Jane reached out to developer ~1 month ago, provided him with cost information based on Henry Law Mural because she thinks it may be another panel mural, 8-12k cost estimate, depending on size. Didn’t hear back. Sticker shock? Planned mural is along lower side of Chestnut St side of the new building.

Sean wondered if the Orpheum Theatre façade was going to come down, it is.

4. HS Committee (Jane, Aimee)

Jane and Aimee have meeting with superintendent William Harbron and high school principal Peter Driscoll on March 9. There is no existing opening event committee. Aimee and Jane will provide some ideas, but will not spearhead committee. They want to do the opening day event in October.

5. The Art Center Update (Monica)

Almost all of the artists have moved in, had first opening – Danielle Festa’s show at Art Walk. All new shows will be starting on Art Walk days. Lots of people coming in, looking at the space. The opening reception and ribbon cutting is on February 13. Open to all.

6. Busking permitting (Monica)

(we will delay this item until the weather is warmer)

7. Riverfront project /Our Town grant (Kim/Pam)

Public park design committee met last Tuesday, saw some new concept plans for the pavilion building that will be at the curve part of the park. Pavilion will house restroom, concessions maybe, ticket booth, picnic tables. Discussion about what it should look like, because it’s the first physical manifestation of the design guidelines, they’re interested in integrating public art in pavilion area. There’s some difference in some path grading, there’s a retaining wall made of stone, the wall shifts and morphs, but connects to foundation of the building, possible opportunity for sculpture or garden installation.



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Timeline – RFP went out, narrowed to four developers last month, those developers will submit more plans, couple more months...3rd Tuesday of the month 5:30 in the McConnell Building room 305 Citizen forum.

Pamela says we can't do a grant until we know what partners we will have. Jane thinks we need to let the park evolve to the point where we know more info about what it'll be. Gary is on the park committee, he's involved in the playground and that was good for art.

Jen Martel (ironwood design?) is landscape architect for park, who's been talking about hammocks and other alternative seating options in the park.

8. Webpage and social media (Communications Committee)
 NHPR – Our Town – Monica
 Emails – Jane
 Update website – Yulia

Yulia met with Lynn Clement, she sent email regarding actions. Need to ask Kim to add Mike Gillis to Facebook page (this is been done). She's going to create Instagram and Twitter, we have a Hootsuite account we can use. Linnea will administrate this. Lynn will make a couple of alterations to the page. We need to provide her with photos and written description of the garage project. She'll also create a page for pool mural project, and additional projects. Kim has a couple of parking garage images that have been color corrected, she'll add them to Google Drive. We can use existing PowerPoint or flyer for garage content.

Links to resources will be rearranged and updated – she'll link to the busking application directly, for example.

Members must provide bios in the folder for us to publish on website.

Monica met with Rebecca Rule on Our Town. She took a tour of Art Center, she was excited. Jane and Kim will write a letter to support this. A letter of intent, sell it. They have a planning meeting, shoot 1-4 days, pick 6-8 stories for the show, archive everything on the website. Jane and Kim will use Senator Waters letter they wrote as a starting point.

We need to use our city emails. And we cannot begin a dialogue via email.

9. Art Walk –sign up members for monthly table
 Pam – March
 Serena – April
 Allison – May
 Aimee – June



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10. Outreach reports/ New Business

We received application from Dover Art Trails committee. meeting is February 20, want to do mural inside Silver Street tunnel. Committee thinking about what it would be, how it would look. We advised them on how to proceed, including telling them to raise money. Maria had the idea that we just approve graffiti there, basically. We had suggested coming up with something permanent for the ceiling part (it's about 12 feet tall) then the walls could be more flexible.

Guest Adam is doing a mural with the Teen center, inside the Teen Center lounge – Star Wars. But didn't want to get into licensing, so doing more general outer space. Adam has been working with kids to get ideas down on paper, inspiration for applying the mural. He did a worksheet soliciting ideas about atmosphere, ecosystem, zoomed in glimpse into a planet.

Aimee – Theatre Unmasked is doing a show called Proof- showing at the Strand. It has been cast, rehearsals start soon. Romeo and Juliette is the summer tour. Strand needs lighting. Fringe festival is moving along – Yulia has been putting together a draft letter to go to the city, been advised that it will be more successful if the letter about Fringe comes from the Arts Commission. Dennis suggested it should come from Arts Commission – Yulia, Jamie, and Aimee were trying to put together grant application to suggest a line item to fund arts projects in the city. Want the city to find that growth. In the past the city has funded the Coheco. Jane will write the letter based on Aimee and Yulia's draft. Aimee and Yulia will email existing materials to Jane, who will decide next action. Will proceed with full awareness of conflict of interest, appearance of conflict or favoritism, and have members uninvolved if necessary. Jane suggests that maybe Fringe festival should submit an application. We could come up with letter of support for the festival.

Mother's Day Freedom project update – have over 70 locations sponsored, and Monica has met with bands and other investors to sponsor additional locations. Gallery show with accompanying paintings is now traveling the state, and will hopefully end at the State House. Want to do the gallery show in Dover. Jane suggests starting with the library. City hall? Upstairs at Cara? McConnell cafeteria? Children's museum gallery? Millspace in Newmarket? Hospital? Maybe do the show in May, but flexible. We'll think about ideas.

11. Vision Planning – Feb 17 8am -11am, conference room @ Police Station

We can distribute topic areas to review in advance. Jane found city's visioning project materials from 2012. Arts are thrown under culture in the master plan. Master plan is updated by section e.g., climate, transportation, etc. Jane suggests conversation with Dennis include – how do we get into the master plan. Jane provided 2012 materials to Linnea. The goal for the workshop is: get ideas for the future and what we'd like to do. Have vision to apply for grants, talk to city, for philanthropy. E.g. – have arts



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budget line item in the city budget. Linnea will provide master plan link – please review before workshop.

Linnea will make agenda, and lead the discussion

Pam will take notes on the whiteboard

Aimee will time keep

Serena will meeting-mange

Parking garage project

Brian project

Yarn project at HLP

Myrtle Street

Blue Crab at children's museum

Arts mixers (3)

Art Center

We'll bring some muffins and stuff

Linnea will bring coffee

Wrongbrain – non profit for two years with the state, 15 years in existence, doing 501c3 this year.

Wrongbrain painted the skate park – owned by city. Gary Bannon- director of recreation is the contact person. Committee suggests calling him rather than emailing.

Meeting adjourned 8:14