

As approved at the meeting on 6 Jun 17

GLOUCESTER COMMITTEE FOR THE ARTS

**Minutes of Meeting Held on 24 April 2017
Gloucester City Hall, Third Floor Conference Room**

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MEMBERS PRESENT:

Judith Hoglander, Chair
Robert Haverkamp, Secretary
Rebecca Reynolds

Catherine Ryan
Chris Sicuranza, Mayor's Representative

MEMBER ABSENT:

Sinikka Nogelo, Treasurer

GUEST:

Pauline Bresnahan, Chair of the Gloucester Tourism Commission

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Judith at 5:05 pm.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE 14 NOVEMBER 2016 AND 18 JANUARY 2017 MEETINGS

A motion by Rebecca, seconded by Chris, to approve the minutes, as corrected, of the meeting on 14 December 2016 was approved unanimously. A motion by Rebecca, seconded by Robert, to approve the minutes, as corrected, of the meeting on 18 January 2017 was approved unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The Treasurer's Report was deferred until the next meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

POET LAUREATE

Judith presented drafts of the application for the position of Gloucester Poet Laureate, the timeline for selection, and a press release. During discussion, numerous changes were made to the application and the press release. A motion by Rebecca, seconded by Robert, to approve the application and press release as revised, subject to final editing by Judith, was approved unanimously. Judith will revise the time line accordingly. Judith will finalize the documents and distribute them to the Mayor's Office, Sawyer Free Library, Writers Center and the Easter Lit House. Chris will put the application on the City website.

COMMUNITY PRESERVATION ACT UPDATE

No update to report.

DRAFT PUBLIC ART POLICY

Deferred until a future meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Possible New Funding Projects

Judith stated that she would like the Committee to begin identifying additional art restoration projects for the Committee to undertake, particularly framing for some of the artwork. She noted a specific project that has been identified: framing and lighting of the painting *Five Local Marines* hanging in the first floor hallway of City Hall. She noted there is money in the current year's budget that can be used for this purpose. Members agreed that the Committee should explore finding new projects, and Judith asked that each member make a list of suggested projects for Committee discussion at the next meeting.

GLOUCESTER ARTS AND CULTURE INITIATIVE REPORT

Judith reported that the Arts and Culture Initiative had a very productive strategic planning session on 11 April. The four-hour-session was led by Steve Immerman, President of Montserrat College of Art, and Judith noted that he did a outstanding job.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion by Rebecca, seconded by Robert, to adjourn was approved unanimously, and the meeting was adjourned at 6:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted

Robert Haverkamp
Secretary