



MURRAY CITY ARTS ADVISORY BOARD

MEETING MINUTES

June 13, 2023

06:00 PM

296 E. Murray Park Ave

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Approval of minutes for April 11, 2023

1. Peter made a motion at 6:04 pm to approve the minutes for April 11, 2023. Blair seconded the motion and the minutes passed unanimously.

CITIZEN COMMENT(S)

Ernie Nielsen from the Murray Symphony is in attendance to remind the board about the upcoming performance of The American West on July 24, 2023, at 8 pm located at the Murray Amphitheater.

BOARD REPORT(S)

1. Arbor Day - Centennial Brochure

Nothing to report at this time.

2. Cotton Tales

Christy presented that Cotton Tales was held this year here in the Parks and Recreation office with about a dozen participants. It was fun meeting the kids who were very enthusiastic about the adults listening to and giving feedback on their stories. Blair and Kevin did a great job judging and the results from the adults that took the survey were very positive.

STAFF REPORT(S)

1. G.L. Critchfield -board training

Our Murray City attorney is in attendance to provide training to the board to discuss the Open Public Meetings Act and remind everyone why we meet the way we meet, what we have in terms of agendas, and how and why these play into the role of the board.

We exist as a body, so we take our actions openly to do the business of the public while giving them an opportunity for times when they can hear and participate to watch and see what we do. It is a business meeting that is not turned over to the public, but there are times the public may comment, and other times they are not allowed to comment while giving them the option to come and see what the board is doing. The definition of a meeting under the law is defined when there is a quorum present so long as it is not a social event or a chance meeting. These require that the agenda information is available with at least 24-hour public notice and minutes taken and become the indefinite official record of the board. "Open public meetings act" is a requirement board and commission must go through annually as a reminder that we are doing the public's business. The ethics ordinance that is in Murray City's municipal code chapter 2.46 tracks state law stating that a person on a board or council cannot use their position for personal benefit.

2. Cemetery Tours, Katie

Elementary schools sign up to bring students to the cemetery where they are taught etiquette, and a little bit about the history of the Murray City Cemetery. We had five schools enroll with 347 kids attending this year with two History board members who dress up and are stationed at certain headstones where they tell a story by a script and provide some biographical information about the person buried there. Activities are offered where the older grades may do cemetery math and the younger grades discuss symbols on the headstones with a scavenger hunt. This is a really great experience for the kids to learn that the cemetery does not need to be a scary experience but rather a thought of respect and a space for healing.

3. Centennial Celebration, Lori

- a. T-shirt, logo

4. City Hall Art Installations

5. Amphitheater update, Lori

- a. Concert Series Pass, Summer Season Pass

Concert Series Pass, Summer Season Pass: Murray City Arts is offering two different types of passes this year including our concert series pass which we have currently sold approximately 25, and our season pass we have sold 18. Robert updated us that we have purchased a new sound system and it will be in place for next season.

6. Theater update, Lori

Good news, we are almost done with all of the demolition work. We are still needing to rebuild some of the walls, and we met the other day with those conducting the feasibility study in regard to potential users or renters of this new facility. Robert mentioned they have areas for both live concerts and also movies and that the audio is different for both, so the acoustics are being designed to be very multi-functional to accommodate these needs. The rough plumbing is almost done, and the site lines have now been figured out. We are hoping to be open in the early spring of 2024. Fundraising is still ongoing, and we are currently conducting interviews for the Theater Manager position.

BUSINESS ITEM(S)

Ernie from the Murray Symphony has things to consider while we are programming their music for the year, and they would like further discussion to know what to expect from us.

Our City Hall grand opening is June 29, 2023, from 4-7 pm. We encourage all board members to attend this event if they are able.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND QUESTIONS

We would like to evaluate and recap our arts education with the number of students served within our program and the impact this program has had on students with some totals at next month's meeting along with a comparison of last year.

ADJOURNMENT

Christy made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:01, and Peter seconded. All voted in favor.

NEXT MEETING

The next scheduled meeting will be held on **Tuesday, July 11, at 6:30 p.m. MST at the Parks and Recreation building located at 296 E. Murray Park Ave., Murray, UT.**

Supporting materials are available on Murray City's website at www.murray.utah.gov.

The Parks and Recreation Office will use its best efforts to accommodate the disabled. Special accommodations for the hearing or visually impaired will be made upon request directed to the Parks and Recreation office 264-2614 at least three working days prior to the meeting.

Committee members may participate in the meeting via telephonic communication. If a Committee member does participate via telephonic communication, the Committee member will be on speakerphone. The speakerphone will be amplified so that the other Committee members and all other persons present will be able to hear all discussions.

At least 24 hours prior to the meeting, a copy of the foregoing notice was posted in conspicuous view in the front foyer of the Murray City Center, Murray, Utah. A copy of this notice was posted on Murray City's internet website www.murray.utah.gov and the state noticing website at <http://pmn.utah.gov>.