

# ARTS ADVISORY BOARD MEETING MINUTES

December 13, 2022 – Boone Municipal Airport Conference Room

**Meeting Called to order:** 1:00 pm

**In attendance:** Blakely, Byrd, Sutton. Grundstad (excused)

**Approval of Agenda:** Motion to approve agenda by Sutton. Seconded by Byrd.  
Ayes: Unanimous

**Approval of Minutes:** Motion to approve November 19, 2022 minutes by Byrd, Seconded by Sutton.  
Ayes: Unanimous

## **Financial Overview:**

### ***Final Review and Approval of Christmas Celebration Budget:***

Arts Board set the Budget for Event to not exceed \$5,000. Final Expenses Totaled: \$3,812.98  
Donations and In Kind Services: \$2,698.79.

High Bridge Quilting Grant Request: Blakely presented a grant used by the former Arts Commission, but it was uncertain if it was approved by City Council. All in attendance agreed that the format was ambiguous and needed more clarification. Blakely/Byrd will work on a new format for the Arts Board to review. Grant will need to be reviewed by City Administrator, Bill Skare and City Attorney before Arts Board Approval. Grant will then be put before the City Council for approval. Blakely will notify High Bridge Quilting of the process.

## **Arts Board Council/Committees Overview**

**Arts Board:** Vacancy of 5<sup>th</sup> Board Seat is still being sought. Discussion included the search for someone in Fine Arts to balance the Board's interests. Feedback from Christmas Event will hopefully generate some leads to fill the last seat.

Grundstad and Sutton terms are up Dec. 2022.  
City Administrator Bill Skare contacted Blakely for an update on term renewals.

Sutton agreed to another one year term (Expiring 2024)

Grundstad agreed to another one year term but will need to be on a temporary leave for a couple of meetings for personal reasons. (Expiring 2024)

Bill Skare was notified of decisions and will make sure it gets before the Council for approval.

Board discussed and agreed that Grundstad could be "excused" until she could provide an update of her status sometime in January.

## **Arts Projects/Events/Programs Overview**

**COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION:** Feedback was extremely positive. Over 200 people packed the City Auditorium, despite the last minute change of venue due to the bad weather. Numerous suggestions and increased interest for the "next one" was expressed by city officials, as well as, the general public.

***NIGHTS ON THE GREEN:*** Discussion on sponsoring one of the Nights on the Green and making it all about the Arts. Blakely will reach out to CVB for more information.

***PUBLIC ART PROJECTS.*** Several Ideas have been brought forth, but Blakely suggested a workshop be held to discuss the projects, their practicality and the budgets for those suggestions. The Workshop can be made public and artists invited with the hope to get people involved and interested in the Arts Projects to generate some Public Art in our community.

**Other Business:**

Byrd mentioned that the Christmas Event was very well done, and he is still getting positive feedback from the community. The indoor venue was very well received and the city Auditorium packed to standing room only. Sutton shared numerous comments she had received as well. Blakely mentioned there was extreme interest in continuing the community Choir by members of the Choir and others who were in attendance, however she felt that the Board should be the “guide” to help the Choir get set up as a non-profit and succeed as their own entity.

Sutton will send out thank you notes to all who participated.

**No Board Comments**

**No Public Comments**

**Next Meeting:** January 12, 2023. 6:00 pm at the Boone Municipal Airport Conference Room.

**Motion to Adjourn:** 1:31 pm Motion made by Sutton. Seconded by Byrd. Ayes: Unanimous