



LEBANON ARTS & CULTURE COMMISSION
JUNE 28, 2022 - 6:00 PM
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL OR
REMOTE VIA VIRTUAL PLATFORM
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- 1. Call to Order**
 - 2. Approval of Minutes**
 - A. Approval of minutes 5-24-2022
 - 3. Other Business**
 - A. LOH Public Art Display Submitted 6-22-2022
 - B. Our Town Grant
 - C. Master Plan Tunnel Art
 - D. Art Cart Updates
 - E. Pet Smart Mural Update
 - F. Annual Public Art Award
 - 4. Committee Reports**
 - 5. Open to the Public**
 - 6. Adjournment**

The order of agenda items is subject to change.

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**CITY OF LEBANON
ARTS & CULTURE COMMISSION
MINUTES, May 24, 2022
City Hall Council Chambers & LebanonNH.gov/Live
6:00PM**

MEMBERS PRESENT: (8/9) **Devin Wilkie** (Heritage Commission Rep.)
 Jessica Giordani (Chair; Citizen Rep. Ward 3)
 Nick Gaffney (Arts Org. Rep.-AVA Gallery) Remote due to illness
 Becky Foster (Citizen Rep., Ward 1)
 Ben Van Vliet (Arts Org. Rep.-UVMC) Arrived 6:08
 Karen Zook (City Council Rep.)
 Bill Dunn (EDC Rep.) Remote due to work travel
 Lucas Mendelsohn for Joe Clifford (Vice Chair; Arts Org. Rep.-LOH),

MEMBERS ABSENT: (1/9) **Gavin Wynkoop-Fischer** (Citizen Rep., Ward 2)

STAFF PRESENT: (1/2) **Kristine Flythe** (Program Coordinator, Leb. Rec)
 Paul Coats (Director, Leb. Rec.)-not present

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2 **1. CALL TO ORDER** Chair Giordani called the meeting to order at 6:01 PM.

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4 Members attending remotely were given voting privileges.

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6 **2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES March 22, 2022**

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8 *Devin Wilke MOVED to approve the March 22, 2022, minutes.*

9 *Seconded by Becky Foster.*

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11 **The Motion was approved (7/0).*

12 *Ben Van Vliet was not present for the vote.*

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14 **3. OTHER BUSINESS**

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16 **A. Public Arts Submission (Luca Mendelsohn)**

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18 *Devin Wilke MOVED to recommend approving this public art display.*

19 *Seconded by Becky Foster.*

20 **The Motion was approved (7/0/1).*

21 *Lucas Mendelsohn abstained.*

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23 **B. Leb ArtWays Poetry Contest Update**

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25 There are 25 submissions. It was determined that those submissions that have followed the rules will
26 move forward.

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28 **C. Banner Update**
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The Banner Hardware was Ordered (30 sets) for \$780.00. Devin Wilkie made a point of observation that the original request was for 14 pieces of up to \$1,400 and they found a great deal.

D. ARPA Funding

ARPA funds have been allocated to other projects very quickly. This raised the point that A&C needs to be prepared with projects ready to go should/when something comes up in the future.

Nick Gaffney shared there is a National Endowment for the Arts Grant called Our Town and this could be a great option for A&C.

E. West Lebanon 2022 Projects (B. Foster)

Becky Foster shared an update about the West Lebanon Civic Association coming together for a music event at Civic Park, interpretative signage for River Park, Banners, Sidewalk poetry, and Light up West Lebanon. Devin is working on the Christmas Lighting, and the Civic Association could be involved with that. They are interested in being part of the grant work. Their volunteers would be helpful for parking at the SAU during that event. They are waiting to see if they can collaborate with the celebration of the fourth. It's exciting to get several people willing to work on new projects in West Lebanon.

F. Art Cart Updates (G. Wynkoop Fisher)

Discussion was tabled because Gavin Wynkoop-Fischer is absent.

G. Sidewalk Poetry Installation (B. Foster)

The first four poems are in and it was a long day. DPW and the contractors were great to work with and appreciated the poetry. There was plenty to learn and notes for the future. Not using color on the poems and keeping the poems the same color as concrete allows them to be in alternative places if needed. Stepping on the stamp to get the form into the concrete is the best way to do it. Having a backup poem form is a good idea.

Each poem took at least 3 times to get in place. It was really windy and dried the concrete, and they needed to use a lot of quick release to get it out of the form. It was a learning curve and will be helpful for installing new poems in the future.

H. Questions

Kristine gave an update on the RSVP tunnel installations. They would like to get the information out soon and are deciding if more details should be provided. Nick and Kristine are checking on the stipend that may be available for materials and commissions. Things are in a process and getting flushed out.

Devin Wilkie asked if there has been any further update on the Pet Smart Mural. Joe likely has the most information.

Ben Van Vliet shared the Sing & Play festival is June 4th - 5th at Colburn Park, CCBA Pavilion, First Congregational Church and a new Busking tent on the corner of Lucky's from 9-4 pm. It is open to anyone and everyone who wants to give it a try. It is exciting that there will be more in-person activities in the Park, CCBA and the Church. It is all acoustic, or perhaps an electric guitar and keyboard. Sign up online at UVmusic.org/singandplay.

Nick Gaffney shared that during the farmers market June 2nd into August, AVA is doing Art Expression Sessions on Thursdays from 5-7 pm right in front of AVA to get folks to express themselves with art, but

1 also to get invite them inside AVA gallery and see all that they have to offer. It is not just directed to
2 youth but to adults too! They will have art making materials for all ages.

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4 Jessica Giordani shared the Farmers Market is open from 4-7pm on Colburn Park. She encouraged folks
5 to come out and listen to music at the market.

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7 Bill Dunn shared June 17th Mascoma Bank is partnering with LOH for the Silent Disco for pride
8 month. Lucas Mendelsohn added the event has expanded to just before a pride picnic. WISE, ACLU of
9 NH and additional resources will be there. It will be accessible, free for all and open to all ages from 6-8
10 pm prior to the silent disco.

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12 **4. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

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16 **5. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**

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18 No one from the public spoke.

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20 **6. ADJOURNMENT**

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22 *Chair Giordani Adjourned the meeting at 6:37 PM.*

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24 Respectfully submitted,
25 Linda Billings
26 Recording Secretary

**PUBLIC ART DISPLAY**

(IN ACCORDANCE WITH CITY ADMINISTRATIVE POLICY ADM-136)

Submit to: manager@lebanonnh.gov 603-448-4220BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME: Lebanon Opera HouseCONTACT PERSON: Laura Jean GillouxADDRESS: 51 N. Park St. Lebanon, NH 03766PHONE: 603-448-0400 x183EMAIL: lgilloux@lebanonoperahouse.org**PUBLIC ART DISPLAY INFORMATION**

Public Art includes sculpture, murals, fountains, statues, paintings, castings, columns, obelisks, architectural and design features and any other form of two or three dimensional or digital art that is projected onto a surface, displayed by light which may also have an audio component, work in any medium appropriate for the location otherwise meeting the approval criteria.

Provide a brief description of art display (attach additional pages if needed):

In an effort to transform the alley between City Hall and 55 North Park Street into a welcoming, seasonal gathering space for the public, LOH is planning to string colorful bistro lights between the buildings while adding bistro-style tables and chairs.

We also seek the Arts and Culture Commission's approval to paint the street in the alley as envisioned in the attached document, which is similar in nature to Robert Meyers' painting of Court Street under the Three Tomatoes dining tent.

We think this will add color, vibrancy, and fun to downtown Lebanon. Thank you for your consideration!

Choose location (as defined in Section 3.0: Definitions of ADM-136):

☐ Public Way* ☐ Public Property ☒ Roadway* ☐ Pedestrian Space* ☐ Vertical InfrastructurePhysical Location: the alley between City Hall and 55 North Park Street.

*Submit traffic control plan for installation of public art display

Please attach Maintenance and/or Removal of Art Installed Plan**FOR OFFICE USE ONLY**DATE RECEIVED: 06/22/2022PERMIT # CM-2022-037

Dept Head (if needed):

Date:

Arts & Culture Commission:

Date:

Provided: ☐ Maintenance Plan ☐ Removal Plan ☐ Traffic Control Plan**FINAL APPROVAL:**

CITY MANAGER:

Date:

