

# LaConner Arts Commission

Sept. 7, 2011

## LaConner Civic Garden Club

**In attendance:** Kelly Wynn, Janet Laurel, Tracy Powell, Pat Doran, Kathie Hubbard, Town Council Rep., Monica Whitmore, guest

Janet moved to approve the minutes of the June 6, 2011 meeting (there were no July or August meetings) 2<sup>nd</sup> by Tracy Powell, Passed

### Public Comment

Pat announced that the Skagit County Historical Museum will be opening their next exhibit on Sept. 23<sup>rd</sup> entitled *Paint Me A River Too!* Over 90 local artists have created work with historical themes. Part of the art sales benefits the Museum.

### Old Business

Kathie inquired about the progress of the plans for the Maple Hall courtyard. Tracy responded by noting that the dead Madrona tree and rocks need to be removed to give better access to the west entry. Research on the gas main pipe needs to be done. Kelly will write to the Town Council who own the property and request that the Town have Public Works handle the removal. Design ideas should be generated (including the ideas from Jana Gage at the Senior Center who use the facility weekly) for consideration.

### New Business

Monica Whitmore, *Destination Maps* spokesperson gave a presentation on making the LaConner map more user friendly and more of a guide to sites of interest. It will be a bit larger in order to have more Town content. They would like to add the Town of LaConner Sculpture Walk to the map. The timing of the installation of next year's sculptures in March precludes inclusion of the titles and artist's names who will be selected as 2012 sculptures. A solution would be to put an electronic /tag application on the ad that can be read by Smart Phones, and other devices that gives the most up-to-date sculpture locations and information. It would also give visitors have the capability to look up information on each individual artist by linking to their web-sites or Facebook pages. Stickers could be printed, laminated and adhered to the info boxes containing the rack cards. A display ad could be created to distinguish between the permanent collection of sculpture and the new work for sale. Deadline for applications is December 1, 2011.

Moved by Pat and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Janet that we spend \$295 to place one ad and two tags created. One would be a donation to the Art's Commission. Passed Amended to read that an additional \$100 be used for purchasing of tags for each location. Passed (other devices include the I Phone, Blackberry, Android, Google Phone, etc. )

### **Budget**

Discussion of what the 2012 Budget should be. It was discussed and the budget was gone over line by line. A request of \$12,820 will be requested at the next Town Council meeting by Chair, Kelly Wynn.

### **Sculpture Exhibit**

Tracy is stepping down as Sculpture Chair due to his very busy schedule. Pat suggested we approach MoNA Director, Tim Detwiler and LaConner Quilt and Textile Museum Director, Liz Theaker for potential new Commission Members who would be willing to be the Sculpture Chair and be appointed to the Commission. We thank Tracy for his expertise and guidance during his tenure.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,  
Pat Doran, Secretary