ANACORTES ARTS COMMISSION

Co-Chairs: Rita James & Kathy Clarke

Karla Locke
Diann Bradley
Betsy Humphrey
Marius Hibbard
Chuck Rust
Student: Ana Fakkema

February 9, 2011

Members Present: Rita James, Kathy Clarke, Diann Bradley, Karla Locke, Chuck Rust, Marius Hibbard and Betsy Humphrey.
Staff Present: Gary Robinson and Mary Snyder.

Called to Order: Meeting was called to order at approximately 4:00.

Minutes: Minutes from the January meeting were approved as submitted.

Public Comments/Communication:
There were two interested people, Corey Hunter and Elisabeth Oakes present that each gave a brief background and interest in the arts for their consideration in becoming a member of the Arts Commission. Rita stated that she spoke with Bill Mitchell and explained that the city would be willing to purchase a train mural for the Thompson Trail if given an opportunity to choose the location and design. She is awaiting word back from him.

Roundabout Art: Gary has talked with the artist, Merilee Moore on height restrictions and working toward the contract. The goal is to have the piece installed by summer and funds are still needed.

Ongoing Business:

- **Relationship with City** – Chuck, Gary and Kathy have been working toward a publication/brochure explaining a voluntary program of including art in private developments. A sample brochure was distributed and all were asked to peruse and email comments/suggestions back to Gary. Discussed was the possibility of including art in conjunction with the water plant expansion project. Chuck agreed to contact Fred Buckenmeyer and work towards this effort. It was also questioned if completed projects, such as Anthony's and the Marine Technical Center could become involved.
- **Public Art** – The Call to Artists for the loaned outdoor sculpture program went out in December and reminder was sent in February. Potential new locations were discussed as well as potential jury members. Diann will work on securing five jurors and the library.
- **Marketing** – The Anacortes Public Art brochures have arrived. The Anacortes Arts Commission calendar is currently being updated and discussed were the frequency of posting of certain events. More time will be dedicated soon to updating the calendar.

New/Other Business:

- Karla reported on her project of having an event "The Art of Moving Forward", which will be held on April 29 & 30 at the NWESD 189 building. The workshop is for artists and a grant is being

sought from the Arts Festival to help cover the costs. Speakers, vendors and sponsors were discussed. Space will be limited.

- ***A motion was made to recommend to the Mayor the addition of both Corey Hunter and Elisabeth Oakes to the Anacortes Arts Commission. It was also voiced that there will be plenty of opportunities for others in the community to become involved in many of the projects. Motion was seconded and approved by all.***

Meeting adjourned at approximately 5:30.

The next regular meeting will be held on ***Wednesday, March 9, 2011, 4:00 pm*** at the ***Library Meeting Room.***

Respectfully submitted by,

Mary Snyder Approved: 03/09/2011