



City of Onalaska Meeting Notice

COMMITTEE/BOARD: Arts Commission
DATE OF MEETING: November 20, 2019 (Wednesday)
PLACE OF MEETING: City Hall – 415 Main Street (Room 112)
TIME OF MEETING: 5:30 P.M.

PURPOSE OF MEETING

1. Call to Order and roll call
2. Approval of minutes from previous meeting
3. Public input: (limited to 3 minutes / individual)

Consideration And Possible Action On The Following Items:

4. Election of:
 - A. Chair
 - B. Vice Chair
 - C. Secretary
5. Discussion regarding programming, support, funding and goals of the Arts Commission
6. Adjournment

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that members of the Common Council of the City of Onalaska who do not serve on the Board may attend this meeting to gather information about a subject over which they have decision making responsibility. Therefore, further notice is hereby given that the above meeting may constitute a meeting of the Common Council and is hereby noticed as such, even though it is not contemplated that the Common Council will take any formal action at this meeting.

NOTICES MAILED TO:

*Mayor Joe Chilsen

 Ald. Tom Smith

 *Ald. Jim Olson

 Ald. Dan Stevens

 Ald. Boondi Iyer

 Ald. Kim Smith

 Ald. Diane Wulf

 City Attorney City Administrator

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*Joyce Dively

 *Linda Lyche

 *Dani McAlister

 *Deb Carlson

 *LuAnn Roth

 Vacant – Centering Onalaska (advisory)

 Vacant – OHS student (advisory)

 Onalaska Omni Center

 Onalaska Public Library

*Committee Members

Notices Posted and Mailed: 11/13/19

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Dear Committee Members:

I am sorry that I can't be with you tonight, I have been terribly double-booked. I will try to get to the meeting if at all possible but I have every confidence in each of you to plow on without me. There are a few items I would like to speak about in this note.

First, please do not elect me to anything, the commission will be better served by others at the helm. Additionally, I know that Joyce has something she wishes the committee would work on and that is great, I hope your meeting tonight is all about great ideas. I also have an idea. I think the committee ought to work on a project where the kids in the schools do some drawings that the Art's Commission turns into wraps for the electrical boxes (those big ugly gray things) around critical areas of town. That is all I have. Good luck dreaming tonight.

J. Chilsen

RESOLUTION 28 - 2019

A RESOLUTION TO CREATE THE ONALASKA ARTS COMMISSION

WHEREAS, the City of Onalaska seeks to establish an arts commission for the purposes of encouraging artistic activities and initiating cultural programs that integrate, support, and advance arts and culture as an essential part of life in Onalaska, to assess the potential for a dedicated arts district, to help develop plans and studies that work to focus the goals and needs of the art community in Onalaska and work closely with the community to provide exhibition and performance spaces and organize events where residents in Onalaska can experience a diversity of arts and culture, to serve as a forum to receive and review proposals and forward them to appropriate Council committee, to work as advocate for the arts by commenting on policies and plans of the City and by seeking non-City funding for its advancement; and to analyze gaps and opportunities in programming, support, funding, and promotion for the arts, cultural activity and economic development; and

WHEREAS, the City of Onalaska desires to define the duties of the Arts Commission.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Common Council of the City of Onalaska that:

SECTION 1. The Arts Commission is hereby created.

SECTION 2. The Arts Commission shall consist of seven (7) members (the "Committee Members"). The powers of the Arts Commission shall be vested in, and exercised by, the Commission Members in office from time to time. Members shall receive no compensation for their services but they may be reimbursed for expenses actually and necessarily incurred in the performance of their duties if such expenses are pre-approved by the Common Council.

SECTION 3. The Mayor of the City of Onalaska, shall appoint the Commission Members subject to confirmation by the Onalaska Common Council. One Member of the Commission shall be a Council Member and one member shall be the Mayor with the remaining five (5) members being Onalaska residents. The Members shall serve for three year terms except that for the initial Members: One Members shall serve a one year term, two Members shall serve a two year term and two Members shall serve a three year term.

SECTION 4. The appointment of persons to the Arts Commission shall be made at the organizational meeting of the Council in April of any year in which a member's three year tenure has expired. Any vacancies in occurring on the Arts Commission shall be filled by appointments by the Mayor, subject to the approval by the Common Council. Any person so appointed shall serve the balance of the term of the person causing the vacancy.

SECTION 5. On an annual basis, the members of the Commission shall nominate and select a Chair, Vice-Chair and Secretary. These appointments shall remain in effect until the following year.

SECTION 6. In addition to the members set forth in Section 3, there shall be two (2) advisory, non-voting members. One advisory member shall be a representative from Centering Onalaska, with such advisory member appointed by Centering Onalaska on a yearly basis. The second advisory member shall be a student recommended by the Onalaska High School Arts Department (“Student Advisor”). Each of these advisory members shall serve for one year terms but may be appointed for consecutive terms.

SECTION 7. The purpose of the Arts Commission shall be to encourage artistic activities and initiate cultural programs that integrate, support, and advance arts and culture as an essential part of life in Onalaska, to assess the potential for a dedicated arts district, to help develop plans and studies that work to focus the goals and needs of the art community in Onalaska and work closely with the community to provide exhibition and performance spaces and organize events where residents in Onalaska can experience a diversity of arts and culture, to serve as a forum to receive and review proposals and forward them to appropriate Council committee, to work as advocate for the arts by commenting on policies and plans of the City and by seeking non-City funding for its advancement; and to analyze gaps and opportunities in programming, support, funding, and promotion for the arts, cultural activity and economic development.

Dated this 16th day of April, 2019.

CITY OF ONALASKA

By: 
Joe Chilsen, Mayor

By: 
Caroline Burmaster, Clerk

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