MINUTES LIBRARY, MUSEUM & ARTS COMMITTEE MEETING May 18, 2020 4:00pm

Electronic Meeting, Zoom ID: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87663385924

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Amy Kaplan, Chair
Harris Falk
Dick Lowenstein
Wendy Batteau
Mark Friedman
Arline Gertzoff
(Absent) Lisa Newman, Brandi Briggs

ALSO PRESENT:

Nancy Diamond, Arts Advisory Committee Co-Chair Kathie Motes Bennowitz, Art Advisory Committee, Chair WestPAC Patty Strauss, Town Clerk(to open meeting)

Chair called the meeting to order at 4PM. Ms Diamond and Ms Bennowitz presented a thorough accounting of the history of the proposed Gift to the Town, including a brief background of the provenance of the sculpture and how the sculpture has come to be gifted to Westport. Committee members had concerns about safety and durability of the artwork, questions about maintainable, insurance costs, and the chosen siting location. All were answered to the satisfaction of the committee. Mark Friedman made a motion to recommend to the full RTM acceptance of this gift to the Town. Karen Kramer seconded, and the motion passed, 6 in favor, 1 abstaining.

The committee then moved on to agenda item #2, a general discussion of the ongoing search for Library Board trustees. This included vetting potential questions, and anticipating some logistics of the interviews and voting to come.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:23PM Minutes submitted by Amy Kaplan, RTM LMA Chair 5/19/2020