

City of Molalla
Beautification & Culture Committee
Meeting
October 15, 2024

Present: Connie, Terry, Leota, Pam & Roxie. Present via Phone Elizabeth

Guest: Ben Dye from Ben Dye Sculpture

Meeting opened at 5:40

We all went to the parking lot to view the sculpture in the back of Ben's truck. Bronze tree trunk with an Ax in the top. Photo sent to Liz so she could see what we were discussing.

Minutes from September 10, 2024, had been emailed to committee members prior to this meeting.

General Business:

Discussion with Ben about our vision of Tree Round Sculpture for the new Molalla Police Station. We had much discussion with our ideas and decided with about a 48inch round log sculpture and about 10 to 12 inches thick to be mounted on rocks. The center round would be a 20-inch round circle with the police logo in the center. Maybe 7 plaques placed in the big round with history statements about Molalla. Our incorporation date, Molalla Buckeroo, Logging, Agriculture (Trees), Dibble House and the Corridor were ideas.

Liz mentioned she is working on the website to help with the auction of the wood from the old bowling alley. Some of that money will help with this sculpture. Ben estimated \$10,000 or so for our idea. (rough estimate)

We also inquired about his idea and designs for benches for our downtown. This is another project our committee has an interest in promoting.

We will meet again next month on Tuesday, November 12, 2024, at 5:30 at the Chamber office. Ben will be back to present his concept of our sculpture and pricing.

We will also invite Dan Huff, City Manager, to get approval.

Adjourn at 6:30

Submitted by:

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