

REGULAR MEETING
TOWN OF WAYNESVILLE
PUBLIC ART COMMISSION
5:30 P.M. THURSDAY, JAN. 11, 2007
TOWN HALL

MEMBERS PRESENT: MIKE GILLESPIE, SARAH KUCHARSKI, PHILAN MEDFORD, KAAREN STONER, MARILYN SULLIVAN, NICOLE WILHELM

MEMBERS ABSENT: PETER STERLING, NORRETTA TAYLOR

ALSO PRESENT: RON HUELSTER

The mission of the Waynesville Public Art Commission is to engage the community so as to enrich the public realm through original public art that celebrates Waynesville's unique historic, cultural, natural and human resources.

Chairman Mike Gillespie called the meeting to order at 5:39 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF DEC. 14, 2006

Sullivan motions for approval as written, Stoner seconds. Minutes were unanimously approved.

TASK FORCES

Huelster submitted a proposed time line for the first public art project to help guide the PAC. The recommendation is for the Mini Park at Depot and Main Streets.

Artist Relations — Nothing to report.

Community Relations — The news release was approved and agreed to be sent out immediately following the meeting to: The Smoky Mountain News, The Mountaineer, The Asheville Citizen Times, Haywood Community College, Haywood County Chamber, Haywood County Schools, WPTL, and the radio station on Main Street. Applications to join a PAC task force are due by Feb. 7. Applications are available by emailing Gillespie or from town hall.

Projects — Sullivan said that she wants a project to go up quickly as to show some action. The Mini Park project most likely will not happen quickly. Wilhelm said that she had talked to public works director Fred Baker about possible downtown locations — top locations are Town Hall, the top of Miller Street and the East Street/Main Street Corner. Kucharski recommended using WCU MFA students to do some of the work for a project. Medford and Sullivan said that once new task force members are selected they can begin working on a site selection amongst the top three sites and coordinating a topic. By next

meeting Gillespie asks to have a topic and site. The Projects Task Force will bring a list of pros and cons for each site.

SELECTION OF NEW COMMISSION MEMBER

Warren Gresham has notified the commission that he is not able to serve after all. Medford's nomination Chris Sylvester has an application in. Medford says that it may work best for the commission to have the town board vote on members. Gillespie says he will check with Huelster to see if Sylvester's application is still active.

OTHER BUSINESS

Stoner agrees to hunt a photographer to create an image for the PAC to use for publicity, and ask Grace Cathey for permission to use her Twilight Gate.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held at 5:30 p.m. Feb. 7.

ADJOURNMENT

Sullivan motions, Wilhelm seconded. Unanimously approved. Meeting adjourned at 6:49 p.m.

Chairman Mike Gillespie

Secretary Sarah Kucharski