REGULAR MEETING TOWN OF WAYNESVILLE PUBLIC ART COMMISSION 5:30 P.M. THURSDAY, APRIL 19, 2007 TOWN HALL

MEMBERS PRESENT: MIKE GILLESPIE, SARAH KUCHARSKI, PHILAN MEDFORD, KAAREN STONER, PETER STERLING, MARILYN SULLIVAN, CHRIS SYLVESTER, NORETTA TAYLOR, NICOLE WILHELM

MEMBERS ABSENT: NONE

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 5:40 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES of March 8, 2007

Taylor motions for approval as written, Wilhelm seconds. Minutes were unanimously approved.

TASK FORCES

Projects – Sullivan presented an outline of talking points to commission members to review before appearing before the town board at 7 p.m. May 8. Board members discussed how specific to make materials to submit to the board. Without further research the PAC does not want to hem itself in to a timeline that it cannot meet. Gillespie will present the information to the town board. Sullivan and Gillespie will tweak the presentation materials and submit them to the town clerk by May 2 to include in the town board meeting packet.

Artist Relations – Stoner presented notes from a task force meeting, in which members reviewed a call for artists. When making a call there will be an eligibility requirement. Stoner said that she would make an argument to use the Blue Ridge National Heritage Area designation to make residents within the 25 counties eligible to present. Using the Heritage Area potentially would open up grant fund pools. Stoner motions that we issue our call to artists to all artists residing in the Blue Ridge National Heritage area. Medford seconds Motion carried unanimously.

Taylor asked about the rest of the call to artists, the first sentence of which reads, "The Public Art Commission wants work that will celebrate Waynesville's Old-Time Music history and the cultural impact it has had on modern-day Blue Grass." Commission members suggested working on the call further as to be specific enough to get artists interested, but not so specific as project limitations. The task force agreed to continue working on the call to artists.

Also, task force members came up with a fundraising idea to create "instruments" out of cigar boxes. The concept would be to supply about 20 to 25 artists with a cigar box and instructions to make it their own. The resulting instruments would be displayed and auctioned off.

Wilhelm and task force member Paula Bolado have agreed to tackle setting up a PAC web site to be hosted by the Town of Waynesville.

Community Relations – Gillespie said that he would contact an applicant who had turned in an application to join a PAC task force.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Kucharski agreed to check in with Jayme Cooper of Folkmoot about the proposed exhibit of youth artwork during the month of July.

NEW BUSINESS

Medford said that she is working on getting a digital copy of the public art collection management policy so that it may be revised to suit current PAC needs.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held at 5:30 p.m. May 10.

ADJOURNMENT

Stoner motions, Sullivan seconded. Unanimously approved. Meeting adjourned at 6:58 p.m.

Chairman, Mike Gillespie		
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Sacratary Sarah Kuchareki		