



Mission statement: The mission of the Waynesville Public Art Commission is to engage the community and enrich public spaces through original art that celebrates Waynesville's historic, cultural, natural and human resources.

August 11, 2011

4:00 PM

Town Hall

Minutes of the Regular Meeting.

Members present:

Jan Griffin, Chair

Bill King, Vice-chair

Sylvia Everett, Secretary

Sarah Jane League, Treasurer

Diana Laursen

David Blevins

Ed Kelley

Charles Mills

Alison Melnikova, Staff

Members absent:

Ann Melton

Meeting called to order at 4:00 PM.

Minutes of the July 14, 2011 meeting. Motion by Bill, second by Sarah Jane to approve minutes.

Approved.

Treasurer's Report: Inflow of \$5,000 from the Town of Waynesville and \$250 from public donations for a balance of \$27,190.52. Motion by Sylvia, second by Diana to approve.

Approved.

Old Business:

Bill King: Report on signage: No report.

Ed Kelley and committee, art for mini-park: Jan stated that it is essential that the commission make a decision at this meeting regarding the placement of the arch, in order to comply with the timeline and call for artists. Ed presented his images from a previous meeting which show blocked-in images to help decide on a location. In choosing a location, we must keep in mind how the public might interact with the arch. David pointed out that the stone wall is actually hollow, and it might be more difficult to secure the posts adequately. Pros and cons of locations were discussed. Bill moved that we accept the design of a "walk under" arch located at the entrance to the park, second by Diana.

Unanimous approval.

New Business:

Jan: Time-line for Mini-park art projects. Jan previously sent copies of the proposed timeline. No objections to timeline as presented. February 18, 2012 will be the review day for the expanded review committee. Motion to accept the timeline by Ed, second by Charles. Approved.

A fund-raising letter will be sent to individuals who are thought to have a special interest in this project or the historic arch. Jan requested names and address of those who may be interested in making a contribution. The budget has not yet been determined but it was thought that it will be in the \$10,000-\$15,000 range.

Other possible fund-raisers: Jan suggested getting a dozen or so identical concrete bird baths made for artists to decorate and sell or auction. Discussion regarding type and various qualities of this item. It was suggested that bird houses might also be a possibility. The consensus was that bird houses might offer more potential, but some might want to do baths, or bird related yard art. Bird houses also allow for other media, such as painting or sculptural interpretations.

Sylvia: art for Town Hall/Police Department/Development building.

Continuing from the groundwork done by a previous commission, two spaces were identified: Behind the reception desk in the lobby and adjacent to the double doors into the board room on the second floor. Pictures of possible art were shared with the commission. Three oil paintings were suggested for the lobby area, with one to be selected. The three possibilities were: Hidden Places by Jenny Buckner for \$1,750, Ancient Hills by Jim Schackelford for \$1,800, and The Sound of Trees by Luke Allsbrook for \$3,000. For the second floor, two options were presented: Visions of Waynesville's Trees by Kaaren Stoner for \$1,000 for a five-part set or \$1,200 for a nine-part set of ceramic "quilt blocks." Motion by Sarah Jane, second by Diana that we purchase the nine-part set for \$1,200 from Kaaren Stoner for the second floor location. Following discussion of the three painting options for the lobby area, motion by Sarah Jane, second by Ed to purchase Hidden Places by Jenny Buckner for \$1,750 for the lobby area. Both motions were passed unanimously.

When purchase transactions are completed, a small group may meet with the artist to work out an arrangement for hanging the Stoner piece.

Jan brought up the possibility of having a quilt on loan from local quilters groups as a means to have a quilt on exhibit in the stair well. Does the commission want to pursue this? Motion by David, second by Bill to pursue this possibility. Unanimously approved.

Brief discussion about which geographical area to include in the call for artists for arch project.

Bill King has asked to be removed as vice-chair. Ed Kelley will serve as vice-chair.

Adjournment: 5:40 PM.

Next meeting: September 8, 2011

Respectfully submitted:
Sylvia J. Everett, Secretary

Jan Griffin, Chair
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