

REGULAR MEETING AUGUST 9, 2012 THURSDAY, 4 PM TOWN HALL

Mission Statement: The mission of the 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.

The Waynesville Public Art Commission held a regular meeting on Thursday, August 9, 2012. Members present: Chairman Jan Griffin, Vice-Chairman Ed Kelley, David Blevins, Diana Laursen, Bill King and Treasurer Sarah Jane League. Absent: Sylvia Everett and Charles Mills. Also present: Secretary Ginny Boyer.

The meeting was called to order at 4:08 p.m.

Approval of Minutes, Regular Meeting of July 12, 2012

After verification of the following: 1) September 1, 2012 would be the call to artists for the wall piece at the urban park at the corner of Depot and Main Streets, and March 16, 2012 the finalists' presentations 2) members agreed to a \$12,500 commission for the urban park's wall piece. As stated in the call for artists, "this commission includes all costs to the artist: i.e., materials for entire piece, mounting materials, installation, transportation, insurance, travel, and sales tax. A stipend of \$500 will be paid to each finalist for the model/sketches and to present the proposal. Documented travel and overnight expenses will also be reimbursed (maximum \$200) for each of the finalists to travel to Waynesville" and 3) the name for the project will be "Wildflowers of the Smokies", Ann Melton made a motion to approve the minutes of July 12, 2012 as presented. Sarah Jane seconded and all were in favor.

Vice-Chairman Kelley reiterated he would provide images of the wall/park to be part of the call to artists letter.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Sarah Jane League reported FY 2012 ended June 30 and the balance in the account at that time was \$23,603.13. Total revenue for the year was \$10,425.00 which includes \$5,175.00 in public donations for the arch. Outflows totaled \$8,762.39 including \$5,571.60 for the arch fabrication and installation, leaving a positive cash flow for the year of \$1,662.61. Ms. League mentioned the final payment for the arch was in June, but the final check was not cut until July 16. Ms. League plans to meet with Assistant Town Manager Alison Melnikova when she returns from vacation to reconcile with the Town's accounting system.

As for the FY 2013 (July 31, 2012) report, the account balance is \$23,628.13. Total donations for the arch are reported as \$5,375.00, but an erroneously directed \$100 donation found among the utility bill payments, brings the total to \$5,475.00. Expenses for the month of July include \$175.00 for cookbook preparation and musician for the Arch dedication.

David Blevins made a motion to accept the treasurer's reports as presented. Vice-Chairman Ed Kelley seconded and all were in favor.

<u>Urban Park, Corner of Main & Depot Streets</u>

- Chairman Griffin reported a successful event with around forty people in attendance at the Arch Project Dedication Friday, July 27, 2012.
- There was discussion of installing a small plaque, separate from the larger plaque describing the historical significance of the arch, specifically for the dedication, installation and artist Ted Dake of Moto-Fab. The smaller plaque could be installed among the pavers or on a pole of the arch.
- The purchase of umbrellas for the tables of the park was a consideration. Jan Griffin spoke with Mr. Fred Baker, Director of Public Works prior to the meeting, who said the tables were purchased by Downtown Waynesville Association and a request would have to be presented to the Association. After the concerns of high winds, obstruction of views of the future wall piece, replacement due to deterioration, and installation considerations which may render the park a less flexible gathering place, members agreed to table the issue.

Cookbook

Chairman Griffin thanked Charles Mills for his magnificent job for the posters, large and small, announcing the sale of the *Taste of the Great Smokies* cookbook.

Ms. Griffin also distributed a spread sheet (courtesy of Howard Griffin) detailing the cookbook fundraising effort and distribution (*on file in Municipal Building*): The unit cost of the books was \$4.42, including typesetting and printing; the sale price of the book \$10.00; profit for book \$5.58. Total number of books printed was 150, with 52 sold at time of spread sheet printing, 98 books remaining (mostly at downtown shops and restaurants) and \$520.00 collected from sales. The final bill for Cornerstone Printing came to 618.99. Chairman Griffin said the cookbooks are selling very well and she is pleased with the effort.

Comments from David Blevins

Mr. Blevins commended the committee on the finalization of the Arch Project: The project took effort and perseverance. Individually, members took responsibility and carried those responsibilities out. Chairman Griffin did a good job leading it and Ed Kelley did a good job carrying it out. It is a piece the commission can be proud of and the community once more has the recognition it has not had for years.

Chairman Griffin then said a big thank you goes to Dave who wanted the arch at the entrance of the park. She said the Commission members work very well together. The arch really makes a statement.

Adjournment

With no further business David Blevins motioned League. The meeting adjourned at 4:40 p.m.	to adjourn the meeting which was seconded by Sarah Jane
Ginny Boyer, Secretary	Jan Griffin, Chairman