

WAYNESVILLE PUBLIC ART COMMISSION MINUTES-SPECIAL MEETING August 15<sup>th</sup>, 2025 TUESDAY, 4:00PM TOWN HALL

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.

#### **Present:**

Chairman George Kenney Mark James Tonya Harwood Steve Lloyd Ginny Moe Doug Garrett Kathy Swingley

### **Absent:**

CJ Deering

### **Staff Present:**

Jesse Fowler, Assistant Town Manager Candace Poolton, Town Clerk

Chairman George Kenney welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 4:05pm.

# 1. Approval of the July 1st, 2025 minutes

A motion was made by Doug Garrett, seconded by Steve Lloyd, to approve the July 1, 2025 minutes as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

## 2. Chefs On Fire Update

Candace reported that she has created the event on the website and on facebook, has boosted the post, and are doing promotionals throughout the week each week, featuring different event partners. She requested that the auction committee gets her the big ticket items so she can feature those on social media to help further promote the event and auction. She also requested that WPAC members share the event if they have social media. She asked if anyone could share a connection with the local radio station to do a promotional.

Candace reviewed volunteer needs for the event. She said they will need all hands on deck at check in, and again at the auction table at 7:00pm. She encouraged everyone to enlist the help of friends and family. Check in will have Mark applying wristbands and handing out food tickets, with ideally an additional volunteer. She will double check with Ben to see if he needs serving volunteers.

The auction committee stated they are doing very well. Jesse shared a contact for a potential Airbnb rental the WPAC could auction off. Candace requested that auction committee shares their higher ticket items with her so she can promote the live auction on facebook. The auction committee will be meeting in Candace's office on September 11<sup>th</sup> to put together auction items. She requested they let her know what materials they need for that as soon as possible.

The subcommittee agreed to meet one last time before Chefs on September 9<sup>th</sup> at Frog Level, 1pm.

#### 3. Other Business

Chairman George said he and Candace will be meeting a potential WPAC member next Friday. He said she has an experience in events and fundraising. Candace said she is re-submitting the TDA grant on the 15<sup>th</sup>. Jesse suggested that they order shirts from Image 420 since Brandi and Riki Tiki Tees are unresponsive.

## 4. Adjourn

A motion was made by Steve Lloyd, seconded by Doug Garrett, to adjourn the meeting at 4:36pm. The motion passed unanimously.

ATTEST:	
Candace Poolton, Town Clerk	Chairman George Kenney