

REGULAR MEETING  
TOWN OF WAYNESVILLE  
PUBLIC ART COMMISSION  
5:30 P.M. THURSDAY, AUGUST 9, 2007

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

MEMBERS ABSENT: NICOLE WILHELM

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 6:00 P.M. following a preview of his Power Point presentation to be used in a future fund-raising event.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF JULY 12, 2007

Kaaren Stoner moves that the minutes be approved as read. Peter Sterling seconds. The minutes were unanimously approved.

TASK FORCES

Projects – The report submitted to the Commission covered the meeting held on July 31. Work on guidelines and procedures will continue in task force meetings. The key elements of the July 31 meeting and subsequent report are more concerned with the Community relations and will be discussed as part of their report.

Artist Relations - Kaaren Stoner provided a report on the recent field trip to Brevard in which several commission members participated. The purpose of this trip was to meet with gallery owners Tom Cabe and Ann DerGara and learn how they initiated a public art program in their town. There are 12 sculptures including stone, bronze, metal and horseshoes. Mike Gillespie had photos of the sculptures that we reviewed along with the bronze plaques for each with art title, artist and sponsors names. (Sponsors names were on the plaque only if the contribution covered the entire cost of the art). Some discussion followed and Sarah Kurcharski suggested that we consider using granite markers for our public art work instead of bronze.

Community Relations – As discussed in the meeting of July 31, our primary concern is building a strategy for fund raising. Mike has the Power Point presentation ready for use with a public fund raising; however, we still want to approach the Town Board with a proposal for a 1% for art ordinance. We discussed the need for clear definitions of what we mean by 1% and what determines eligibility of a project. We all agreed that the best approach was to present our ideas to Lee Galloway, Town Manager, before pursuing further with individual aldermen or the Town Board.

Chris Sylvester has a final copy for the brochure and the quotes from Cornerstone are: \$868 for 1500 copies, \$934 for 2000 and \$1075 for 3000. There was discussion about what funds we have available for this and any other expense. There is apparently \$5000 currently in a CD payable to DWA and designated for "art work" only. (The interest on

this is currently \$558 and that goes to DWA.) We believe there is \$1500 from the Town and if more is available that needs to be determined. The expense of holding a reception was discussed but a final total was not determined. First we need mailing lists from other organizations to determine who we want to include in this initial fund raising effort and what that total number would be. Several sources were mentioned and will be pursued.

MOTION: Philan Medford moved that we approve the current brochure copy and layout. Sarah Kurcharski seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Discussion continued concerning plans, expenses, etc. and the following priorities were determined:

1. Brochure – obtain another quote to see if we can reduce this cost.
2. Finalize the wording on the 1% ordinance and the resolution that provides details and definitions.
3. Visit with Lee Galloway to review items 1 and 2. Share with him our concerns about money and what plans we have (reception) for initial fund raising.
4. Reception details.

#### ADJOURNMENT

Noretta Taylor moves to adjourn, Sarah Kurcharski seconds. Unanimously approved. Meeting adjourned at 7:40.

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Chairman, Mike Gillespie

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Secretary, Marilyn Sullivan