

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

REGULAR MEETING
TOWN OF WAYNESVILLE
PUBLIC ART COMMISSION
5:30 P.M. THURSDAY, JANUARY 10, 2008

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

MEMBERS ABSENT: KAREN KAUFMAN

Chairman Mike Gillespie called the meeting to order at 5:35 P.M.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF DECEMBER 13 REGULAR MEETING AND SPECIAL MEETINGS OF DECEMBER 10, 14 AND 15

Kaaren Stoner moves that the minutes be approved as read. Noretta Taylor seconds. The minutes were unanimously approved.

TASK FORCES

PROJECTS - The report submitted to board members covered the meeting to be held January 31. The auditorium at the Waynesville library has been reserved for this purpose, a draft of the letter is pending and letterhead from the Town as well as a list of Board and Commission members is available.

Since our last meeting, a letter was sent to Lee Galloway regarding our commission's participation in the working plans for the new police station. We suggested that several identified sites in and around the building could be enhanced through the use of art and having an artist consult on these items. Lee agreed that this was reasonable and would approach the architects with our recommendations.

Work continues on the Guidelines and Procedures and what is written to date has been sent to Fred Baker for his review and advice.

ARTIST RELATIONS - Kaaren Stoner discussed the possibility of extending the deadline for the call to artists and referenced an email from Jeffrey York with his advice on the matter. Discussion followed regarding Mr. York's suggestions including invitations to individual artists. We have received 4 applications to date and the deadline is January 15. Kaaren has sent follow-up emails and we are hopeful that more will arrive in time and the delay is probably a function of the holidays. We agreed to meet on Friday, January 18 at Town Hall to review the applications and determine if we can make the first selection from this group or is an extension needed.

There was brief discussion of a selection committee that will be developed for the purpose of making the final decision from the three artists the board selects. The details of this will be worked out later.

COMMUNITY RELATIONS - Brochures are at the printer and will be ready next week. There are several possibilities for where to store these including space in a designated file here at Town Hall.

We continue to discuss the process of money received by the town intended for use by the Art Commission. The details of how the process will work are still a concern. Money can come by cash or check to the Town or to DWA and we need copies of all these checks or receipts to build a proper data base and insure that this money is acknowledged. Kaaren Stoner will be gathering this information and compiling the data. We considered the possibility of a test to see how the process works.

OLD BUSINESS

We do not yet have an application from Kevin Murphy to be a member of the Commission. Both Kaaren Stoner and Noretta Taylor will follow up. We asked that Sarah Kucharski run the ad in the Smoky Mountain News requesting applications for the Commission and for task force members.

Regarding the creation of a selection committee, Kaaren Stoner asked all members to submit to her any recommendations.

Confirming the presentation scheduled for January 31, we concluded that the letter should go out this coming Monday. Mike would also like to do a run-through prior to the 31st so Marilyn Sullivan will see if the library auditorium is available the evening of the 24th for this purpose.

NEW BUSINESS

Noretta Taylor told us about a file cabinet here at Town Hall that we can use and that it should contain information we might need, copies of contracts as they are developed, gifts policy, etc. This will be a good, central location where information can be kept and referred to.

Noretta also suggested an idea for community involvement in a future project and that would be to have a contest for high school art students to come up with a design for the front plaza of the new police station using the various colors of pavers. We agreed this was a good idea and will work on details at a later date as there is approximately 1 year before the area is ready.

ADJOURNMENT

Kaaren Stoner moves that we adjourn. Chris Sylvester seconds. The motion was unanimously approved. Meeting adjourns at 6:45 P.M.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held at 5:30 P.M. February 14, 2008.

Chairman, Mike Gillespie

Secretary, Marilyn Sullivan