



REGULAR MEETING
MAY 10, 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 May 10, 2012. Members present: Chairman Jan Griffin, Vice-Chairman Ed Kelley, Sylvia Everett, Charles Mills, David Blevins and Bill King. Absent: Treasurer Sarah Jane League and Diana Laursen. Also present: Assistant Town Manager Alison Melnikova and Secretary Ginny Boyer.

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m.

Approval of Minutes, Regular meeting of April 12, 2012

Bill King made a motion to approve the minutes of the April 12, 2012 regular meeting; Sylvia Everett seconded. All were in favor of accepting the minutes as presented.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Sarah Jane League was out of state, but reported the only expenditure via email to Chairman Griffin: \$2,700 to Mr. Ted Dake of Moto-Fab Metal Works for arch materials.

Celebrating Folkmoot Re-siting Update

When members explored options for re-siting Celebrating Folkmoot, one of the sites considered was on Haywood County property, in the vicinity of the Justice Center lawn. David Blevins reported that Mayor Brown was asked to talk to county officials about Celebrating Folkmoot's re-siting, and as yet, David Blevins has not heard the result of this inquiry.

Plaques for Public Art Pieces Update

Assistant Town Manager Alison Melnikova reported the signs will go up next week, with the exception of the sign for Celebrating Folkmoot, as the sculpture may be re-sited.

Mini-Park Wall Piece

After members discussed many possibilities for Mini-Park wall pieces, Assistant Town Manager Alison Melnikova advised the Commission not design the art, but put a call to artists for that task. Vice-Chairman Ed Kelley agreed, adding that theme, material/media, location and budget could be considered by the Commission, then the call could go out to artists. It was agreed by

Commission members that a June 7th, 2012 special meeting be called solely for the purpose of finalizing broad parameters for the mini-park wall.

Annual Elections for Chair, Vice-Chair, Treasurer and Secretary

David Blevins moved that the current Public Art Commission leadership remain the same: Jan Griffin, Chair; Ed Kelly, Vice-Chair; Sarah Jane League, Treasurer and Ginny Boyer, Secretary. This was seconded by Ann Melton. All were in favor.

It was also mentioned that Sylvia Everett, David Blevins, Ann Melton and Diana Laursen, all members whose terms were to expire May 31, 2012, expressed an interest in continuing to serve the Public Art Commission.

Other Business

Public Art Commission Retreat The minutes of the retreat, taken by Assistant Town Manager Alison Melnikova, dated March 8, 2012, complete with short and long term plans, are comprehensive and accurate, according to Ed Kelly. Sylvia Everett mentioned they could be reviewed and referred to on an as-needed basis.

Arch for Mini-Park Alison Melnikova mentioned getting with Vice-Chairman Ed Kelley, David Blevins, and Streets Superintendent Daryl Hannah, so efforts can be coordinated as the mini-park arch nears completion and gets closer to installation. Ed Kelley said Ted Dake, whose abilities he trusts, has suggested some small elements that will not change, only enhance the structure.

Cookbook Jan mentioned that since Bill King suggested restaurants have a special section in the cookbook, she has begun to collect recipes from Waynesville restaurants and has made a “good start”. Ann Melton, who mentioned having the recipes of Bed & Breakfasts included, will take care of collecting those recipes. Chairman Griffin was asked by Downtown Waynesville Association’s Buffy Phillips about getting involved in the cookbook fundraiser. The merchants may want to contribute recipes and sell the cookbooks in their stores. Chairman Griffin said it would be good to get the merchants involved.

Field Trip Chairman Griffin mentioned a field trip opportunity for the Commission, an outdoor garden sculpture exhibit at Grovewood Gallery in Asheville from June 2 to December 31.

Adjournment

With no further business, Chairman Griffin adjourned the meeting of the Waynesville Public Art Commission at 4:54 pm.

Secretary, Ginny Boyer

Chairman, Jan Griffin