



WAYNESVILLE PUBLIC ART COMMISSION
MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING
APRIL 14, 2016
THURSDAY, 4:00 P.M.
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.

Those present:

Chairman Nick DePaolo
Vice Chairman Micah McClure
Treasurer Sarah Jane League
Jan Griffin
Ann Melton
George Kenney
Charles Mills

Also Present:

Amie Owens, Town Clerk

Absent:

Teri Siewert
Libba Feichter

Chairman Nick DePaolo called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

1. Minutes from the February 11, 2016 regular meeting

Ms. League motioned to approve the February 11, 2016 regular meeting minutes as presented. Ms. Griffin seconded; the motion carried unanimously.

2. Treasurer’s Report

Ms. League provided the Treasurer’s Report as of as of March 31, 2016. She noted the account balance was \$28,095.73 and to date for FY 15-16, income of \$5,781.00 of which \$781 is from the sale of notecards. Ms. League added that the total notecard sales to date were \$1,114. She highlighted the expenses for the year to date as \$4,520.71; noting that in March the first payment to Stefan Bonitz for \$2,000 for the bench was made. Ms. League also explained that she had submitted the annual WPAC request to the Town for FY16-17 special appropriation funding in the amount of \$5,000.

Ms. Griffin made a motion to accept the Treasurer’s Report as presented. Mr. McClure seconded; the motion carried unanimously.

3. Frog Level Bench Project

Ms. Owens noted that the contract for the bench project had been signed and that the first installment payment of \$2,000.00 had been made to Mr. Bonitz. She noted that the placement of the bench would be to the right of the entrance to the old Armory and had been approved by the Recreation staff and Town representatives.

Discussion was held related to what items could be used for fundraising. All agreed that the barbeque dinner would be fine and that T-shirts would be another item for sale. Three individuals (Ms. League, Mr. McClure and Ms. Owens) were asked to contact various vendors to gain pricing for the T-shirts. Ms. Owens will secure the sketch for use on the T-shirts and will forward to Mr. McClure for any necessary preparation and final design formatting. Ms. Owens will contact the NC National Guard to see if their insignia can be used on the T-shirts.

The date for the event was finalized as Saturday, June 4, 2016 beginning at Noon with the dedication ceremony at 1:00 p.m. Ms. Owens will reserve the old Armory so that the lunch can be provided inside.

Ms. Griffin will be bringing the notecards to sell at the event and will be putting them back out in stores and for sale at the Appalachian Festival on June 11, 2016 from 11 a.m. until 5 p.m.

An update related to this project will be provided at the next meeting.

4. Other Business

Fiberglass Project

Mr. Kenney had mentioned the possibility of having a sculpture of some sort that could be decorated and shown in downtown and then auctioned off as a fundraiser; maybe a Plott Hound. He did further research and found a company that specializes in the design and fabrication of fiberglass animals for public art projects. Mr. Kenney provided information on the company and a sample of a maple leaf that could be used for Waynesville. The maple leaves cost approximately \$2,000 each including shipping, painting and mounting – each is 42” tall.

Members were asked to visit the website for the company who can provide the services and to discuss at the next meeting.

Assistance for Downtown Waynesville Association

Mr. Mills had been talking with Buffy Phillips, Executive Director of the Downtown Waynesville Association about the possibility of partnering to help meet some of the Main Street beautification needs.

Ms. Phillips addressed the Commission and asked for assistance in getting the canvas banners repaired for the main alleyway connector of Main Street and Wall Street.

Another project that Ms. Phillips brought to the attention of the Commission was two small windows in the other pass-through alleyway. Ms. Phillips is researching to see when the windows were first installed, who the artist may be and whether the owner of the building would be amenable to some revamping.

Ms. Melton motioned to assist the Downtown Waynesville Association with these two projects to help beautify the alleyways of Main Street. Ms. Griffin seconded; the motion carried unanimously.

Hazelwood Parking Lot

Ms. Owens reported that there had been no further advancement in the discussions surrounding the parking lot in Hazelwood.

5. Adjourn

There being no further business to discuss, Ms. Griffin made a motion; seconded by Ms. League to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:50 p.m.

Amie Owens, Staff/Secretary

Nick DePaolo, Chairman

The next Public Art Commission meeting: **Thursday, June 9, 2016 at 4:00 p.m.**