



WAYNESVILLE PUBLIC ART COMMISSION
MINUTES-REGULAR MEETING
MAY 11TH, 2023
THURSDAY, 4:00PM
MUNICIPAL BUILDING

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
Ashten McKinney
Steve Lloyd
Skip Middleton

Absent:

James Cuellar
Vicki Mangieri
Douglas Garrett

Staff Present:

Jesse Fowler, Assistant Town Manager
Candace Poolton, Town Clerk

Chairman George Kenney welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 4:21 p.m.

1. Minutes from the April 13, 2023 Regular Meeting

Ashten McKinney made a motion, seconded by Steve Lloyd to accept the April 13, 2023 minutes as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

2. Pigeon Community Outreach Update

Chairman George Kenney reported that he and Jesse went to the Pigeon Community Center's historic celebration last weekend. He said the people they spoke with seemed very excited about the upcoming art project that WPAC will be doing for them. He added that grant applications are moving along, with the TDA grant having been submitted, and the T-Mobile grant about to be submitted.

3. Mountain Lion Sculpture Donation

Assistant Town Manager, Jesse Fowler, reported that the Town Council approved placing the Mountain Lion sculpture in front of Town Hall. He said that Mr. Blevins, the donor, is also happy with the location. Ashten and George offered to be present for the installation of the sculpture. Jesse said that Mr. Blevins requested a photo of WPAC members in front of the sculpture after it is placed. He also said he is working on getting the piece appraised so a letter recognizing his donation and the value can be sent to Mr. Blevins. There was discussion on whether or not there will be a donor and artist recognition or educational plaque in front of the sculpture.

4. Fundraising Event Opportunities

Assistant Town Manager, Jesse Fowler, reported that he has secured a table to sell t-shirts and booklets at the flea market. Candace and Jesse said they would set up the booth on June 2nd. George offered to table with Jesse on the 3rd from 7am to 10am, and Steve said he'd take over for the 10am-1pm shift.

5. Other Business

Skip reported no progress on Gladys Knight. Ashten asked about an update on the Wall Street alleyway mural. Jesse said it's in the design phase and Hornsby Creative is doing the design. Skip brought up the policy on repeated absences. Jesse said it's up to staff's discretion and that at anytime they could request that Council remove a commission member.

6. Adjourn

There being no further business to discuss, Skip Middleton made a motion, seconded by Steve Lloyd, to adjourn. The motion carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 4:57 p.m.

Candace Poolton, Town Clerk

Chairman George Kenney