



MEETING MINUTES

Public Art Commission

Wednesday, January 9, 2019

Members Present: Scott Mumma – C, John Foster – VC, Melissa Jackson, April Dunn, Ingrid Hooks, Nancy Neely, Margo Pemmaraju

Members Absent:

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chair Scott Mumma at 6:30pm with a quorum present.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

Minutes from 12/12/18 motion: 1st by April / 2nd Melissa and all present approved.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mayor: Thank you for what you're doing and you are breaking ground for how you are helping the town. Try to engage anyone who didn't get on the committee to do what you want to accomplish. Consider setting some goals and would love to have an iconic mascot for downtown as we look to develop it further.

Commission said their goal is to get in the budget. Answer was help would be given to find sponsors and introduce the commission to people to get money to push the art scene. Get grants and businesses engaged. Greenway has fundraisers to get what they need. Look for sponsorships. Talk to the town manager and get involved with him from his track record with the arts in Cornelius.

ART INSTALLATION WITH ATRIUM

Two submissions for the Atrium piece. Both look good. Both are local. Concerned about expertise. Meg Art has a lot of expertise with knowledge on tiles. Interactive element of both piece that were submitted. Flowers will be put in the metal to spin like pinwheels. Con that was seen was depending on someone else to help finish the flowers. The other artist has more experience. Meg Art is envisioning using the entire field. We wouldn't be able to do that due to zoning. We could make it different heights and place on the concrete ribbon. Meg Art will require more discussion to finalize details. Need more details from both artists. Chair is going to follow up.

Atrium got 100 tiles from Huntersville Christmas. Looking at different event dates we can have them at every date through 2019. Suggesting is to do the collection over 8 – 9 months. Let's take some time to walk through it. It gives the artists time to rework some of the details to make a decision. Atrium does not feel crunched for time. Would like the reveal for the Christmas event. Let's stretch out the

activations and take on the other year events to get the tiles. If we can select the artist by Hello Huntersville they can be more engaged in the project and the collections at that event.

Will Benny and Meg Art share the same vision?

Flowers: more specific plot design (drawing of everything, sizes, more specifics, kinetic). Ask about Benny and who else is involved. General materials and what that cost would be. Let them know we don't have the green space and would be restricted to the concrete ribbon. Sides of the tiles for safety concerns (would they be rounded?).

Pyramid: how it moves, height, dimensions, material, and vision around adding her tiles? Looks like mixed media in the tiles of the samples of other work provided. There is dimension to the tiles and are not completely flat. Her work and experience is a lot. How the logo is represented and are there stops to help the piece line up and not continue to move is another question that needs to be asked.

The deadline for the piece has passed so we will move forward with gaining more details on the pieces from the two submissions. Let's look at the Easter event and Hello Huntersville for activations and reevaluate where we are after that. We can use the fall events to tell about the reveal.

BUDGET 2019-2020

Scott will lead budget pre meeting on January 22 from 6pm – 6:15p. 6:30pm is when Rich will be recognized for his donation of 2019 and the piece from 2018.

Commission will be requesting \$10,000 from the Travel and Tourism line of the budget to match grants and pay for Call to Artist sites.

Event idea for the commission: In-kind donations working with artists and local businesses to hold a silent auction. HPAC host own event. Artists, music, silent auction. Art posted on the town website. Artists get a ton of requests but we can get enough artists to make it successful. PAC receives the fundraiser money. Maybe connect it to another event with food and live music.

UPDATES/COMMENTS

Talked about looking at improvements to the Arts and Cultural Building and the amount of funds to be requested in the 2019-2020 budget year.

Areas of the HACC were the outside landscaping, signage, outside lighting, outdoor murals, indoor murals and removal of paint on interior windows to increase light into the facility.

Would like to request \$10,000 of which \$5,000 would be earmarked for a matching grant (ElectriCities) and \$5,000 for membership costs (American for the Arts, CAFÉ).

Primal Brewery looking for connections with the arts. Wood working with Primal and if David would like to sponsor the first wooden piece for Huntersville.

Look to the chambers and see if we can connect with their list of corporate places to be involved with the arts.

Arts and Science Council update: 1/26 Connect with Culture Day (Raptor Center), dance, art in the Charlotte region. Gaps of what is not happening in arts and science for all ages let know our feedback.

HELLO HUNTERSVILLE (TABLE UNTIL NEXT MEETING)

There being no other business to discuss – motion to adjourn... April: 1st, Melissa: 2nd and unanimously the meeting was adjourned at 8:00pm.

The next meeting will be on Wednesday, February 13 at 6:30 p.m.