



## **MEETING MINUTES**

### **Public Art Commission**

**Wednesday, January 8, 2020**

Members Present: Scott Mumma – C, Margo Pemmaraju, April Dunn, Melissa Jackson, Terralyn Mills

Members Absent: Nancy Neely, John Foster – VC

#### CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chair – Scott Mumma at 6:35pm with a quorum present.

#### APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

Minutes from 12/10/19 motion: April 1<sup>st</sup> by Margo 2<sup>nd</sup> and all present approved.

#### PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

#### ELECTION OF CHAIR AND CO-CHAIR

April nominates Scott for chair. Scott nominates April for chair. Scott doesn't feel like he can commit the amount of time but will continue to. Motion to vote Scott as chair - April 1<sup>st</sup> by Margo 2<sup>nd</sup> and all present approved.

April motion voting for co-chair at February 12 meeting: Margo 1<sup>st</sup> by Scott 2<sup>nd</sup> and all present approved.

#### CALL TO ARTIST – TOWN CENTER PIECE JANUARY 2020

One piece still submitted and no other submissions. New Jersey artist does not fit parameters. \$2,500 grant for the piece. We placed the call out twice already. We can open the call to other states or we can place it out for 48 hours again. Right now, we are at no piece or Mary from New Jersey. Last piece from Rich is gone but came to pick up the pieces to make something else. Cannot do a purchase for the piece the artist needs to apply to the call. Commission to go out to local artists and see what is available. Hold the call closed. Open once we get an idea from local artists. Once exhausted all local efforts take the submission from out of state. The funding is for Hello Huntersville. Ideally, have this secured by February. Calls go out to American for the Arts but most sites cost money to get the calls out. How elaborate does the pieces need to be? The artist determines if the amount fits what the piece is worth. Postpone call and chat with local artists. Most artists are looking for \$5,000-\$15,000 payment. Will come back with more information in the next week or so.

### CALL TO ARTIST – GRANT ELECTRICITIES

Have to get this call going. Meet with OHHS. This call is using historic bricks from the icehouses that were deconstructed. Two pallets sitting with the two different bricks. Call to artist will utilize the bricks and be placed at Veterans Park. \$5,000 for the grant. Need to figure out how to best go forward with this call. Left of Icehouse stage is the placement. Water and power access. Couple hundred of quality bricks. Couple hundred of the other bricks. Can break easily and will need to be sealed. Idea is to highlight the Icehouse bricks. Keep the call to artist standard and let the artist submit ideas of how to use those bricks the best. Education is bigger for this piece and this will help understand and bring the spotlight on the bricks and the old Icehouse while educating on history and why the stage is named Icehouse Stage. This will be part of the historical walk and hopefully we can get the resemblance in the new piece created. Been receiving background info on the bricks and trying to confirm the history through local sources. Confirm the information we have and give a little more guidance in the call. Tie it up by February meeting to open up.

### UPDATES/COMMENTS – CHAIR

Board requesting receiving updates from the commission at meetings. The next one is January 21. If everyone can attend at 6pm. Do a power point with some pictures. Keep presentation 5-10 minutes. Scott will present.

Sent email to ASC regarding the underpass and being involved on the project. Around \$250,000. Asking if we could be on the jury selection. It has to do with lighting. Reached out to the project coordinator to be kept in the loop and waiting to hear back.

Bloomberg grant - have not heard back. It is currently pending. No date. Said spring of 2020. Mural on the parking garage. Tagging along the branding of the vine. Start with the mural on the side. Historical pictures painted if grant is awarded.

### ATRIUM PIECE

Waiting on the 60 days from Grace. Waiting on locating of lines under concrete where piece will be placed. January 15<sup>th</sup> is the due date for the information and Alison will follow up.

### HPAC MASTER PLAN

Alison to start working on this for 2020 to solidify the commission and provide a 10-year vision. Will go along with the revitalization of the downtown and other internal department.

### HELLO HUNTERSVILLE

First weekend in May. What kind of sponsorships for the event? Another bench or two. We can look into sidewalk mosaics. Make this a priority. Any ideas other than the benches? Still love the water sidewalk art. Even though it is temporary. Something collaborative for where HPAC is placed.

\$30,000.00 for the event. Reach out for booking. Local artists spot light in Arts and Cultural Building. Have someone in charge of Hello Huntersville. Terra come up with a game plan for the event.

Block out the arts center. Send out an eblast for artists. Atrium unveiling of the piece. Live carving would be great to add.

Going to art festivals or at a gallery pick up business cards so we can add to our lists.

#### SPONSORSHIPS / 2020 EVENTS

Looking at individual sponsorships or corporate sponsorships. Get it down in writing. Draft a letter that we can send to local businesses. Can we create a logo for the commission? Brand the commission using the Huntersville "H". Shorten the list of the sponsorships and create a letter for businesses.

2020 event schedule – which ones we would like to do? Easter, Hello Huntersville, Halloween, Christmas, Movies in the Park, LaLaCaboosa. Create a sign-up sheet so we can get it locked in with who is attending and being at the booth. Have shirts and car magnets ready for Hello Huntersville.

Covered bus stops – reach out to the mayor for more information.

There being no other business to discuss – motion to adjourn: April 1<sup>st</sup> by Melissa 2<sup>nd</sup> and unanimously the meeting was adjourned at 7:51pm.

The next meeting will be on Wednesday, February 12 at 6:30 p.m.