



Huntersville Public Art Commission

Summary Minutes: July 08, 2020

Members Present: Scott Mumma (chair), Nancy Neely, Melissa Jackson, John Foster, Terra Mills

Members Absent: April Dunn (co-chair), Margo Pemmaraju

Town Staff Present: Tracy Houk

Town Board Present: Commissioners Nick Walsh, Dan Boone

Public Present: Alexandria Drakeford-Student

Call To Order: Scott Mumma (chair) - 6:38pm

Approval of Minutes: Motion to approve June Minutes – Nancy Neely
Second – Melissa Jackson
June Minutes – Approved Unanimously

Public Comments, Requests, or Presentations:

- **Alex Drakeford**, Huntersville Resident
 - Interested in organizing a Black Lives Matter mural in Huntersville, possible on the Town Center parking deck.
 - Does not have a draft to show, but does have an artist waiting on approval.
 - Budget? Will need help with supplies, artist will volunteer
 - For Downtown Charlotte mural – artist received \$500 in supplies
 - Suggestion made by commission to possibly look at other locations
 - Streets – similar to what other towns are doing
 - 115/Gilead Rd/Main st.
 - How long will it last on the street?
 - Would need to get permission from State
 - Would prefer permanent location
 - Parking deck may be blocked by future building
 - Fundraising from corporate sponsor for supplies
 - Task List for Alex:
 - Come back with 3-4 ideas for locations and drafts of possible murals with more details in plan and cost of supplies
 - Look at town owned properties
 - Basketball courts possibly – Scott Mumma Suggested
 - Speak with John Foster a little more on ideas and fundraising
 - PAC invited Alex back to August meeting for an update and ideas to vote on and take to the Town Board.

Business:

- **Monthly Art Gallery at Huntersville Arts and Cultural Center (HACC)**
 - Possibly start in October – depending on COVID guidelines
 - Local Artist display / sell / working demos gallery
 - Set date for each month
 - Weekends? Suggested by John Foster
 - Work with OHHS to add additional places to visit during gallery opening

- Idea - ****First Friday event to highlight local businesses with other locations open to visit**** - Scott Mumma Suggested
 - 2-3 Artists in HACC for 1 month/quarterly – John Foster Recommendation
 - Artist give % back to PAC via commission on sale
 - Mini Hello Huntersville with Artisans/Crafters
- There are ongoing programs in HACC that we would need to work around
- Partner with Fosters Frames to get the word out in the community and artists.
- This will take a lot of work to set up exhibit
- Artists would need to make sure the facility is safe to leave artwork in overnight and are insured
- MARKETING would be key for this to be successful – Banners, Flyers, Social Media, etc...

Updates

- **Town Updates**
 - Atrium Community Piece
 - Site visit first week of August with Todd & Grace
 - Atrium working on Marketing
 - Install will begin August 17 to allow for weather delays
 - Virtual reveal August 27
 - More details to come
 - Call to Artist – Electricities Grant
 - Tracy is getting quotes from 2 companies to create the ice block
 - The cost of the ice block is not within our budget, therefore the design needed to be adjusted to fit what the budget would allow.

Motion to Adjourn: 7:24 pm Motion – Terra Mills
 Seconded – Melissa Jackson
 Approved Unanimously

