

Minutes

Public Art Committee August 17, 2015 7:00 P.M.

The Fayette County Public Art Committee met in an Official Meeting on August 17, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. in the Public Meeting Room of the Fayette County Administrative Complex, 140 Stonewall Avenue, Fayetteville, Georgia.

Committee Members Present: Steve Brown

Vicki Turner Samuel Patton Charlie Cave Carolyn Cruse

Others Present: Kate Hawkins

Staff Present: Tameca P. White, Chief Deputy County Clerk

Phil Mallon, Director of Public Works

1. Call the meeting to order

Commissioner Steve Brown called the August 17, 2015 Public Art Committee meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. Approval of minutes for July 13, 2015 meeting

Vicki Turner made a motion to approve the July 13, 2015 meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Carolyn Cruse and was unanimously approved.

3. Discuss Local Art Awards

Commissioner Brown stated that the press release had been sent regarding the local art award. Tameca stated that no one had submitted any nominations to date.

Commissioner Brown stated that the committee is free to make nominations as well. He stated that there is no pressure to get someone for every award. He stated that if we get no nominations for any one award category, then we can work on getting nominations the next time.

Tameca stated that the nomination form was posted online on the art website.

Commissioner Brown stated that he wanted to make sure to get Kate some of the art committee postcards to give to different people to inform them about the committee. He stated

that the nominations are due no later than September 11. He stated that if the committee has any ideas on how to get those interested in the performing arts to participate to let him know.

No official vote was made on this item.

4. "In God We Trust" art proposal project

Commissioner Brown asked if we had gotten any information on the foam letters for the "In God We Trust" project.

Tameca stated that she had received an email saying that she was emailing the wrong "Angela" to inquire about the foam letters. The "Angela" she had been emailing did not know anything about the foam letters according to their email.

Commissioner Brown stated that her shop is behind Partner's Pizza.

Vicki stated that she went today and there was no shop there.

Kate stated that she is located in the plaza and that her shop is hard to find. She stated that it is right next to the barber shop.

Commissioner Brown stated that on this project the committee seemed to like the foam letters. He stated that we have not gotten anything back so where does the committee want to go with this project.

Vicki stated that A1 Design does this type of lettering and signage. She stated that they are located in Tyrone. Vicki stated that she would contact them and see what they are able to do.

Commissioner Brown asked if the committee liked cursive or print.

Charlie stated that he liked the cursive.

Sam stated that he thinks the cursive font is pretty, but that we need to be sure the font will be legible from a distance.

Commissioner Brown asked for the committee's thoughts on whether to hang the sign or affix it to the blue area over the dais. He stated that because it is in the center we could go with another color.

Vicki stated that the goal was to stay away from using the flag colors.

Tameca suggested letting the chosen designer give ideas based on what the committee requests.

Phil asked if the committee wanted colorful lettering or just black letters or maybe even gold/bronze color lettering.

Kate stated that she thinks we could do either. She also stated that from the financial stand point the vinyl would be the most cost effective.

Vicki stated that she thinks the lettering had more of a 3-D look and the committee liked that versus the vinyl. She stated that she would get some information and bring it back to the committee at the next meeting.

No official vote was made on this item.

5. Discuss ideas for Fayetteville Market Day table for September 26

Commissioner Brown asked how things went at the last Market Day event.

Vicki stated that she thinks it has been very successful having it in the courthouse yard.

Commissioner Brown stated that for Market Day on September 26 we have the postcards and the banners. He asked if the committee wanted to do anything else.

Carolyn stated that she would be glad to help distribute the postcards.

Kate stated that she would be happy to put out postcards at her booth as well at Market Day. Commissioner requested that the county staff put up the tents for the event as they did last time.

Tameca stated that she would put in the request.

Commissioner Brown stated that it would be a neat idea to take the wood frame he has at home and make it into a stand-alone frame that says Fayette County Art or some other phrase. He stated that we could have families or individuals to take photos and then the committee could post them to the art website. He stated this would be a great way to get people to come over and get information.

Vicki asked what size was the frame.

Commissioner Brown stated that it is about five feet high and eight feet wide. He stated that he could transport it. He stated that the committee would have to dress up the frame. He stated that maybe the guys in Public Works could find a way to fix it so that it can be grounded. He stated that this could be an idea to use on the Market Day in October. He stated that the families could use it to take pictures with the scarecrows. He stated that he would take it to Public Works to look at.

Vicki stated that she would be there for the September 26 Market Day. Carolyn stated that she would plan to be there also.

No official vote was made on this item.

6. Discuss ideas for Employee Breakroom/Elevator area

Commissioner Brown stated that the goal is to modernize the breakroom. He stated that right now the room is very dated and he would like for it to be a place where staff feels welcomed and would enjoy having lunch and/or break.

He stated that changing the colors up and decorating the bulletin board. He stated that Lori had ideas for the breakroom.

Charlie stated that he bets those that use the breakroom would love to find a way to decorate that bulletin board.

Phil asked if there was the thought of using a chalkboard on the wall.

Commissioner Brown stated that this was an idea, however the chalkboard would be hard to maintain. He stated that someone would have to be responsible for updating it.

Commissioner Brown asked if the pictures would be hung on the wall or painted on the wall.

Vicki stated that she thought it would be hung as individual pictures.

Commissioner Brown referenced the wall and stated that the wall near the window was the one being considered for the wood panel.

Vicki brought a sample piece of wood panel to show the committee to give them an idea of what could be used.

Commissioner Brown stated that if the wood is used on the wall it could also be used on the floor and on the kitchen floor.

Commissioner Brown stated that he would reach out to the art students at the different schools to get them involved. He stated that he would like to do this project in phases. He stated that we could begin with the wall and remove the curtains.

Tameca stated that the original idea was to have the chalkboard on the wall as an actual chalkboard and not a painting.

Commissioner Brown stated that his concern with the chalkboard is if we would actually use it.

Phil asked if we should get a cost estimate of two or three types of panel.

Commissioner Brown agreed. The committee discussed the color scheme.

Tameca stated that she did not have the county color pallet available for the meeting tonight. She guided the committee through the colors in the paint brochure that match the county color pallet.

Vicki asked if the carpet is going to be replaced. She stated that the color of the wall is going to clash with the blue carpet that is currently there.

Commissioner Brown stated that he does not think there has been any update to the carpet in some time. He asked the committee to come up with parameters so that Phil can get some cost estimates.

Phil asked what the budget for the project was.

Commissioner Brown stated that the art students would do the wall paintings and we would supply the materials for that, we could get the wood pallets and buy the stain and whatever will be needed to put it on the wall and budget in a small television set with the wall mount. He stated this should be relatively cheap.

Phil mentioned that he thought different departments had put in their budget for renovations...for example the Animal Shelter. He stated that he did not recall if the breakroom was one of them.

Commissioner Brown stated that the breakroom is the "step child" that no one claims. He mentioned that for that reason the breakroom will be one that we would all pitch in to get done.

After further discussion the committee decided to make the kitchen a phase two.

Commissioner Brown stated that the project will begin with the paneling and the paint. He asked Phil to get the pricing for what the flooring would be.

The committee decided to use the Functional Grey as the main color for the walls.

Kate suggested using a little larger canvas.

Tameca asked what size canvas.

Commissioner Brown stated that could be determined.

Tameca asked who will reach out to the schools.

Commissioner Brown stated that he would be responsible for contacting them.

Vicki asked about the accent color.

Tameca stated that it is the reddish color.

Kate suggested using the red to frame around each canvas.

Commissioner Brown stated that we would use a thick canvas and paint the outer edge of the canvas.

Vicki suggested putting the red around all the paintings as soon in the sketch.

Commissioner Brown stated that the television would be placed in the corner.

He stated that at the next meeting he would like to have an idea of what the cost would be. He stated that once we have all the information that we can have a package to put together and take it up the chain to make sure there are no objections.

Phil asked if anyone makes coffee in that room.

Commissioner Brown stated that he didn't think so.

Tameca stated that there was nothing presently in the room to make coffee.

Phil stated that he was wondering, instead of having a picture of coffee on the wall that maybe there could be a space created to make coffee and have an honor system where staff would put in a dollar to contribute to purchasing the coffee.

Commissioner Brown stated that it would work if there is someone assigned to maintain it. He stated that it is well kept right now and that the building and grounds staff does a good job.

Phil stated that he believes the building and grounds staff could help maintain that as well. He stated that it might be a nice, low cost perk to be able to go to a mutual space to have coffee and say, "Good morning."

Commissioner Brown stated would we put in a Keurig type system. He stated that they make the kind now were the machine automatically disposes of the cups.

The committee thought this would be a good idea.

7. Discuss ideas for the County Human Resource Department office area

Commissioner Brown suggested a *Call for Photographers* to be issued next week on behalf of the committee for photos of all the different departments' staff to create a wall wrap for the entry wall of the Human Resource department.

Commissioner Brown stated that we could list some examples of what is needed. He stated that the photos would be done by department. He mentioned that Sam could help get the photos of the judicial staff.

Tameca asked about the timeline for the press release.

Commissioner Brown stated next week. He stated that the people who volunteer can be assigned a specific department.

Vicki stated that they could be recognized at a meeting.

No official vote was made on this item.

8. Discuss ideas for the County Animal Shelter

Vicki agreed to do a demo painting prior to issuing a call for artist for this project. Phil reported that they have priced the siding and no contractor has been decided for the stucco.

Commissioner Brown asked Phil to create a plan for how to hang the paintings. Commissioner Brown suggested maybe later selling or auctioning off the paintings to have the proceeds go to the Animal Shelter.

No official vote was made on this item.

9. Scarecrow Competition

- a. Review project dates
- b. How to get more school, scout groups, etc. involved

The committee discussed the dates for the Fayetteville Main Street Halloween Festival. Vicki confirmed that the date is October 24.

Commissioner Brown stated that we would announce the competition by press release on September 21 and that the scarecrows should be in the ground by October 17 and 18. The committee discussed having a pumpkin carving contest in conjunction with Saville Studios.

Participants could paint or carve their pumpkin. The date would be October 25 from 2-4 p.m. at Saville Studios. A press release would go out on October 5.

No official vote was made on this item.

10. Other

The next meeting is scheduled for September 3, 2015.

11. Questions

12. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 8:27 p.m.

Tameca P. White, Chief Deputy County Clerk