



Minutes

Public Arts Committee

March 1, 2017

7:00 P.M.

The Fayette County Public Arts Committee met in an Official Meeting on March 1, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. in the Conference Room of the Fayette County Administrative Complex, 140 Stonewall Avenue, Fayetteville, Georgia.

Committee Members Present: Martha Akin
Rich Brown
Heather Cap
Kate LaFoy
Jeff Mellin
Sam Patton
Roger Sibaja
Donna Thompson

Committee Members Absent: Jennifer Johnson
Robert Johnson

Guests Present: Steve Brown
Brenda Erickson

1. Call to order by Committee Chair Donna Thompson

Donna Thompson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. Acceptance of agenda.

Jeff Mellin made motion to accept the agenda. Heather Cap seconded.

Motion passed 8-0-0.

3. Approval of Minutes of February 20, 2017 meeting.

Heather Cap made a motion to approve the minutes. Rich Brown seconded.

Motion passed 5-0-3. (Martha Akin, Kate LaFoy, Roger Sibaja abstained as they were not at the 2/20/2017 meeting.)

4. Introduction of New Members.

Donna Thompson introduced the new members in attendance, Martha Akin and Kate LaFoy.

Kate LaFoy left after the introductions.

5. Guest Presentation.

No Guest Presentations.

OLD BUSINESS

6. Review of Birdhouse Launch Event.

Rich Brown made motion to review Birdhouse Launch event. Heather Cap seconded.

Donna Thompson said the event was strongly promoted. There were 58 total birdhouses with 14 donated and 44 went home with participants. The breakout was Brooks - 2; Fayetteville - 24; Peachtree City - 10; Tyrone - 13; and 9 that were not documented. Participants were pleased with the event.

Heather Cap thought it went smoothly. She said if we have another build event we need a different type of screw and also we need to communicate how involved the building process is. Rich Brown suggested saying 'complete construction of birdhouse'. Heather Cap suggested including the birdhouse plan. She also thought having two projects where you can split large groups between the two projects was a good idea. Donna Thompson suggested having some of the birdhouses already built.

Donna Thompson said we will be sending thank you to the PTC Home Depot who donated the lumber and screws. She also shared that the three men in the Tyrone Public Works Department volunteered their own time to cut the wood. She said Tyrone was great to work with on this project.

No action.

7. Review of Earth Day event.

Heather Cap made motion to discuss Earth Day event. Rich Brown seconded.

Heather Cap shared a copy of the flyer for the Mural Design Contest. It will be shared with schools, libraries, citizens, etc. After the deadline the Earth Day Committee will select a design. Heather will then take the design and transfer it to the board (chloroplast). She asked if the members have any 'for sale' or campaign signs that they want to donate to the project, those can be used for the small items. She can also use the posts. It does not matter what color. Martha Akin said *A Better Way* in Peachtree City has scraps of corrugated plastic.

Heather Cap said the design will use all types of recycled products and they are currently creating the list of materials that can be used and those that cannot be used.

Heather Cap will be on-site on April 22 for the event. Donna Thompson asked who else would like to help at the event. Jeff Mellin asked if we would have a booth. Heather Cap confirmed we have a booth. Jeff Mellin volunteered to work and Heather Cap said Kate LaFoy would also work.

Steve Brown asked if Heather Cap still wanted the Recycling Center to hold some items. He asked that she send a list to him of what items she wants. Steve Brown said the people working there would pull the exact items she wanted and bag them up.

Heather Cap also said she would like to get a "designed by" sign to go with the mural with the name of the artist.

Donna Thompson asked what would the members like to do at the booth. Steve Brown asked if there were any postcards left. Donna Thompson said yes. Steve Brown said there were plenty of those to hand out and it references the website.

Jeff Mellin suggested coloring pages for children. Rich Brown asked if we have a list for people to sign. Donna Thompson confirmed we do have a sign-up sheet for information at each event. No action.

8. Review and discussion of Tyrone's Shamrock Arts Celebration.

Rich Brown made a motion to discuss Tyrone's Shamrock Arts Celebration. Jeff Mellin seconded.

Jeff Mellin said Mitch Bowman came to us with an idea for Shamrock Park. There will be an arts component, music, children's area, food, County Fair area with canned goods, quilts, etc. and an area for Makerspace. They are going to try to put together a Pinewood Derby demo. The Town of Tyrone wants to make this an annual event. The idea is to start and build on it each year. The date is May 20-21.

Heather Cap said we are also planning to do chalk art.

Heather Cap shared that we need artists for this event. The artists can get a booth and sell their work. She asked that the Committee share information about this event with artists.

Donna Thompson will share the link where they can find information on the event.

(<http://fayettearts.weebly.com/shamrock-arts.html>)

9. Updates and discussion on Concepts.

Heather Cap made a motion to discuss Concepts. Rich Brown seconded.

Animal Shelter

Roger Sibaja said there is a new director at the Shelter, Jerry Collins. He has a meeting scheduled with him. He wants to determine when the renovations will be made. Roger Sibaja said he has talked to a couple of photography groups and there are a lot of people interested. He will set up a date for photographs to be made.

Jeff Mellin said that Mr. Collins was not aware of proposed renovations when he spoke with him about a separate project. He suggested Mr. Collins speak with Steve Rapson to get the details. Jeff Mellin asked whether the art should be installed before the renovations or wait until after the renovations.

Steve Brown said he wanted to offer a suggestion. Steve Brown said Phil Mallon needs to be in that meeting. Jeff Mellin asked who he was and Steve Brown said he was the Public Works Director. Brown said Mallon will be doing the exterior building work; he needs to be in that meeting with the Director because he will be able to tell you exactly what is going to happen because his people will be doing the work. Jeff Mellin asked Steve Brown if he knew when the work would be started. Brown said no and that it might be delayed since there was a new guy in there and that it might be delayed even further.

Roger Sibaja stated regardless of when the siding goes up, we could go ahead and do the photos.

Steve Brown said it might be an advantage to do it with the old siding up as it will give Mallon's guys an idea of how to properly attach it since it is supposed to be on and off the building when switched out.

Roger Sibaja said we could have five of the cutouts done quickly. Donna Thompson said it needs to be issued as a public call, we cannot just go to a specific group. We need to follow County protocols. There was discussion on why we need to do a public call even when participants are not being paid. Donna Thompson said that people are having their work publicly displayed and it needs to be open to anyone. Roger Sibaja asked how we would send a Call out. Donna Thompson said through a press release and Tameca White will help with that.

Heather Cap asked if we know that the Director is ok with going forward with this design. Roger Sibaja said he had not talked to him yet.

Donna Thompson suggested that first we discuss the idea with the Director to get his input. She also shared that with a recent communication to the County a response came back with the comment to follow protocol. She explained we need to vet it through our Committee first and then take it to the Board of Commissioners before we take any action. She said we cannot send a press release until we get approval from all Commissioners. She said the Concept has been approved for the Shelter, but we need Final Project Approval before we can take any action.

PopUps

No update.

Balloons Over Fayette

Donna Thompson said we should be meeting with them soon. We have identified doing a chalk art mural along with a secondary project with them.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

OTHER BUSINESS

Donna Thompson stated we have eight projects going before the Commissioners next week, some are concepts and some are final approvals.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Jeff Mellin made a motion to adjourn. Rich Brown seconded.
Motion passed 7-0-0 The meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.