



**Town of Clayton
Public Art Advisory Board Minutes
Tuesday, March 21, 2023 at 5:00 PM
York Room, Town Hall
111 E. Second Street**

Board Members Present:

Sara Perricone, Board Chair
Kim Helmer
Tammy Murray
Dane Martin
Kristin Ryan
Clark Hipolito
Carrole Mulkey Dayton
Joseph Slaton

Staff Present:

Heidi Holland, Town Clerk

Board Members Absent:

Howard Manning
Kathleen Nobles
Angie Bryan

1 CALL TO ORDER

- a) Ms. Perricone called the meeting to order at 5:01 p.m.

2 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a) Minutes
- February 21, 2023

Motion to Approve Minutes

MOVER: Board Member Mulkey Dayton

SECOND: Board Member Murray

3 ACTION ITEMS

4 OLD BUSINESS

- a) Sculpture Trail
Presenter: Sara Perricone

Ms. Perricone stated three sculptures were de-installed and installed last Friday, March 17, 2023. The artists that installed sculptures were interviewed by Ms. Perricone, Mayor McLeod was not able to attend that day. The remaining seven sculptures would be installed March 24, 2023.

There was discussion on Chief Lee Barbee and staff developing an SOP for the Sculpture Trail which would help with all moving pieces of this program in the future.

There was discussion on having sculptures at each of the Town schools.

- b) Yarn Bombing
Presenter: Tammy Murray

Ms. Murray stated people are knitting and dropping these squares off. She discussed when the time comes for the squares to be removed from the trees, they would go to the Johnston County Animal Services for animal bedding. The knitted squares would begin to go on the trees in September and would last through the winter. There was discussion on which trees in Town would be the best ones to use for this project. Council Member Casey would provide his feedback to Ms. Murray on which trees he thinks would be good to use.

- c) School Art Project
Presenter: Kim Helmer

Ms. Helmer stated she visited ex-board member Raven Long to discuss this project that she was part of launching. She has 30 looms, and her 5th graders are working well with these. Ms. Long would be at the April meeting to provide an update to the board. Thanksgiving Elementary's PTA would do a silent auction to sell these looms after the students have completed them to raise money for the school.

There was discussion on the white warp thread, a lot more was used than anticipated and would have to be replaced. This needs to be considered though for next year's budget to order more. There was discussion on adjusting the width of the loom to make smaller pieces.

Mr. Martin stated he created a full video series on this project, the video is on hold for now until it is ready to be released to the other teachers. Ms. Long created an hour-long video for the students teaching them the technique of this project. This video is available on YouTube.

Mr. Slaton stated he would be available to help transport these looms back and forth as needed.

- d) Greenway Art
Presenter: Kim Helmer
Tammy Murray

Ms. Murray stated this project is ready to kick off and she is ready for volunteers. All of the flowers have been removed from the Greenway. For the next round, a different approach would be used. Also, artwork would only go on one bridge at a time, starting with the bridge off O'Neil Street. It is estimated this project for this particular bridge would take 3 months to complete. Each bridge would have a different shape, either squares, circles or triangles.

The material would now be coroplast and would be treated with acetone, lightly sanded and sprayed with primer. Ms. Murray stated she has already cut three squares, treated with the acetone and sanded. She stated if anyone would like to take some of these home that would be helpful.

On April 1, 2023, she would be at the Farmer's Market to distribute these to the community to paint. She discussed the guidelines such as only paint on the front, no text only artwork, no offensive comments, and cannot use any copyright or trademark art. The deadline to receive all shapes back is early May, they then would be sealed. The goal is to get all six bridges complete in two years and then start the project back over.

Board Member Bryan has offered to use her shop, Crowing Hen, as a location for citizens to pick up shapes.

5 NEW BUSINESS

- a) Media Committee Update
Presenter: Kristen Ryan

Ms. Ryan recapped the last meeting where Nathanael Shelton, Communication Officer, was present.

She stated the priority is to update the website and get more visibility to the Sculpture Trail and in general of arts in general. A proposal for a new website for the Public Art was presented to Town Council at their Council Meeting. The cost of the website would be \$3,400 with a \$1,000 yearly fee. It is still being discussed as to what section of the website would be dedicated to the Public Art Advisory Board. Ms. Ryan stated once more information is available, she would bring it to the board.

There was discussion on the Square-to-Square event that Mr. Shelton presented to the board. It was discussed the board would like to have a booth in preferably Town Square. Proposed were two shifts, the first from 9:30 a.m. – 12:00p.m. and the other from 12:00 – 2:30 p.m., having two people for each shift. There was discussion on having a branded tablecloth as well as shirts to represent the board. It was stated to hopefully have the Sculpture Trail brochures completed by then.

There was discussion on having a children's scavenger hunt to find parts of the sculpture trail with stickers they would be provided. When they have a completed sheet of stickers,

they would return it back to the table to receive a gift. There was discussion on ordering 100 of these gifts. Ms. Ryan stated if anyone would like to volunteer to let her know. She stated she would need a team to help package the gifts for the children. At this booth, the squares for the Greenway project could be displayed.

Kristin asked if anyone would like to volunteer to let her know. Dane said afternoon, Joe said afternoon also. Need a team to help package the children's gifts. At the booth we can display the squares for the greenway.

6 ADJOURNMENT

a) Adjourn

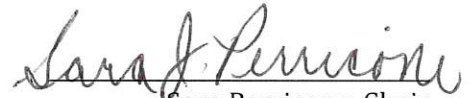
With nothing further, the meeting was adjourned at 6:24 p.m.

Motion to Adjourn

MOVER: Board Member Martin

SECOND: Board Member Ryan

Duly adopted this the 18th day of April, 2023.


Sara Perricone, Chair

ATTEST:


Heidi L. Holland, CMC, NCCMC
Town Clerk

