



Town of Clayton
Public Art Advisory Board Minutes
Tuesday, October 16, 2018 @ 5:00 PM
Wooten Room - Clayton Town Hall

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Sara Perricone
Kim Helmer
Tammy Murray
Maleah Christie **arrived at 5:07 p.m.*
Larry Strevig
Elizabeth McLaurin **left at 5:32 p.m.*
Jill Hunt
Clark Hipolito **arrived at 5:10 p.m.*

STAFF PRESENT:

Stacy Beard, Public Information Officer
Kaitlin Crocker, Economic & Community
Development Coordinator
Heidi Holland, Deputy Town Clerk

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Mike Stojic

1 CALL TO ORDER

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

2 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a) Draft Minutes
- September 18, 2018

*Adopted with the correction of words "taking over" to "assisting with" in the Sam's Branch Greenway Project discussion.

ACTION: Adoption of Minutes

Motion: Board Member Elizabeth McLaurin
Second: Board Member Kim Helmer
Vote: Unanimous

3 ACTION ITEMS

- a) 2019 Public Art Advisory Board Meeting Schedule
Presenter: Heidi Holland, Clerk to the Board

ACTION: Adoption of 2019 Public Art Advisory Board Meeting Schedule

Motion: Board Member Kim Helmer
Second: Board Member Elizabeth McLaurin
Vote: Unanimous

4 OLD BUSINESS

a) Sculpture Trail Update

Presenter: Stacy Beard, Public Information Officer

Ms. Beard shared information about the brochure update, she stated there had been trouble with the printer. She hoped to get the situation resolved this week and start distributing these out to various local businesses and restaurants as well as the Tourism Center in Smithfield. Ms. Perricone mentioned that someone from Shelby, NC asked for copies of our sculpture trail brochure to display in their town. It was mentioned to Ms. Beard that our sculptures were the first thing they noticed about our small town.

Ms. Beard stated we need to discuss soliciting new artists at the next board meeting. It was then questioned if the same contract can be used for the Gateway Art Project as the Sculpture Trail. It was determined that the application process cannot be the same due to the fact that the Sculpture Trail artwork rotates and the artwork for the Gateway Art Project will be permanent.

Ms. Beard stated the plaques that were taken down during Hurricane Florence are still not in place but will be back in place soon. There was board discussion on the type of plaques to use on future sculptures, instead of the black plaques that we currently use possible trying a triangle plaque. Discussion was the triangle plaques may not work for sculptures such as the Ballerina sculpture. Elizabeth McLaurin suggested using a combination of the two plaques, Ms. Beard agreed this was a good idea. It was also mentioned possibly installing the plaques on the ground to make them even more visible on future sculptures.

The plaque on the Veteran's Sculpture will be corrected soon, it is in the budget for a new plaque to get the military seals in the proper order.

b) Sam's Branch Greenway Student Art Project

Presenter: Stacy Beard, Public Information Officer

Ms. Beard discussed the teacher from Corinth Holders High, Sarah Jeffrey, is still interested in working on this project with her students. She stated that Hudson's Hardware has offered to donate the hardware for the project. Lowe's in Smithfield has already donated the wood, which is .375" plywood and the school's workshop has agreed to cut the shapes out. The paint and the graffiti paint needs to be purchased. It was mentioned the plywood may not be the best wood for this type of project. The wood should be an exterior grade wood and the plywood will need a varnish or epoxy to prolong them. There was board discussion if there should be a combination of designs besides the fish, it was agreed upon the fish should be the only design right now. Ms. Perricone mentioned that she and Kim Helmer would be meeting with Jane Roberts on Thursday the 18th to go over Jane's ideas for the greenway. Ms. Perricone asked Stacy if she could put Sarah Jeffrey on hold until the information was gotten from Jane Roberts. It was mentioned again that Donna Steele from the Women's Club is still interested in helping with this project, we will reach out to her when a more definite plan on this project is in place. It was suggested a motion be made to have the fish immediately removed from the Greenway due to the current condition of the art.

ACTION: Approval to Remove Current Fish from Sam's Branch Greenway

Motion: Board Member Kim Helmer
Second: Board Member Larry Strevig
Vote: Unanimous

- c) Gateway Art Project
Presenter: Sara Perricone, Board Chair

There was not much discussion on this subject. This project is in the early stages, the next step is for Economic Development to create a sub-committee with our board members and then move forward.

- d) Piano Project
Presenter: Sara Perricone, Board Chair

Ms. Perricone stated she called Lancaster and Lynchburg, Virginia and no one would return her calls about this project. If the committee decides to move forward with this project the next step is to find out how many, where to get the pianos, and who will paint them. Discussion of the weather came up and Ms. Perricone stated in New York, each piano had a piano buddy that keeps an eye on the weather and has a tarp to cover it when needed. It was mentioned there are several awnings throughout Clayton that the pianos could possibly be placed under during bad weather such as Blackley's, Manning's, and Unique Gifts. It was also mentioned the piano should be a rolling piano, then it can be rolled into a dry location during bad weather. It was also suggested each piano could have their own tent for protection such as the tents used at the Harvest Festival. There was discussion of having the piano tuned, it was discussed the beauty and art of this project is not having it in perfect tune. Ms. Christie stated she would reach out to the company she received her piano from for any possible leads for a piano for this project. Ms. Perricone asked Mr. Hipolito to reach out to Duke for any leads for an upright piano in nice condition. Ms. Crocker suggested whoever sponsors the piano should have a plaque on it to show sponsorship.

It was suggested to make a motion to move forward on this project by finding a piano.

ACTION: Approval for Piano Project

Motion: Board Member Clark Hipolito
Second: Board Member Maleah Christie
Vote: Unanimous

5 OTHER BUSINESS

- a) Ms. Perricone mentioned to the board the importance of attending the monthly meetings. She has been sending the members text reminders and the board agreed this has been helpful. She mentioned anyone that has an upcoming expired term needs to submit their application for reappointment or the position will be replaced.

6 ADJOURN

a) Adjourn the Meeting

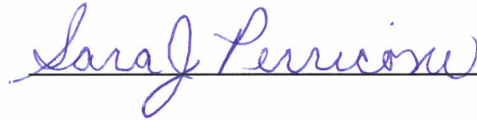
ACTION: Motion to Adjourn was made at 6:02 p.m.

Motion: Board Member Kim Helmer

Second: Board Member Tammy Murray

Vote: Unanimous

Duly adopted this 20th day of November, 2018.



Sara Perricone, Chair

ATTEST:



Heidi L. Holland

Deputy Town Clerk & Clerk to the Board