



APEX PUBLIC ART COMMITTEE MONTHLY MEETING

17 July 2023

7:00pm

In Attendance:

Tom Colwell, Chair

Bethany Bryant, Vice-Chair

Sean Durham

Brad Erickson

Susan Kirley

Taylor Wray, Town of Apex Staff Liaison

Not in attendance: Ewan Pritchard & Lafayette Trawick

Call to Order – Tom

- 7:00pm start time

Approval of 15 May 2023 Meeting Minutes

- Approved - 1st Bethany Bryant
- Approved - 2nd Sean Durham
- None opposed.

Town Liaison Report – Taylor

Budget was approved with minimal revisions. Will review more during the “old business” section.

Chairperson’s Report – Tom

Chapel Hill/Carrboro is hosting their sculpture UPROAR show. They have several great new artists and a process they use for voting for the public’s favorite.

Orange County webpage

Public Comment

None

New Business

- Committee Member appointments & Vice-Chair voting hosted by:
 - Allen Coleman, Town Clerk
 - Ashley Gentry, Deputy Town Clerk
 - Consensus for a **Recommendation** for Sean Durham and Kim Elliott
 - **Recommendation** for Vice-Chair (1 year): Bethany Bryant
 - Both of these items will be brought as a recommendation to Town Council and the Mayor at the next Town Council Meeting.

Old Business

- Video project – Taylor
 - The Small-Town Character Application has been submitted. Planning has a few follow up questions about the structure and its base.
 - Taylor is currently waiting on scheduling a demo with Avcon. She will include the Public Art Committee when that meeting comes through.
 - Allen mentioned that if there are 4 or more members of the PAC present at this demo, then a notice for the meeting will be required for the public.
 - Taylor has already met with IT, Planning, Parks Operations, and Avcon to discuss what is needed in the structure and how the structure could be built.
 - Tom and Brad asked to be included on the construction side of this project as they both have professional background and expertise on the subject.
 - Taylor announced that the budget for the projector has been approved with \$10,000 in Artist Commission and \$3,000 for Electrical fees.
 - Brad inquired about the possibility to apply for grants. He will look into the “Our Town Grant” due in early August and any United Arts Grants.
 - Brad asked Taylor about the services and maintenance of this project. Some services and warranty included in the project. Taylor will find out more at the demo with Avcon.
 - Tom asked if we could do this project with solar power. Taylor will ask Public Works about this possibility.

- Crosswalk Art – Sean
 - Sent ideas over to Taylor Wray for the Small-Town Character Application.
 - Taylor to send the preliminary drawings to Planning with the urgency under “preliminary”. Taylor will ask what Planning would like to see for a project like this.

- Transportation Art – Bethany / Tom
 - Tom reached out to the Planning Department lead for that.
 - Planning is getting close to sending contracts to the artists.

- Collaborative Art – Susan
 - Susan has 50 of the squares completed from members of the
 - Taylor requested Susan to submit more information for a summary for the PRCR Director to review for placement
 - 2 places suggested by Senior Center sitting Manager, Jason Simpson:
 - 1st location: Lofted area on the second floor facing the front door.
 - 2nd location: 2nd floor wall facing the classrooms
 - Hanging/Wall Mounting options. Bethany has many safe options for this with included frame.
 - \$325 estimated for this project
 - Susan has purchased a few items already without knowing the reimbursement rules. Taylor will look into the reimbursement possibility.

Additional items:

- PeakFest – Sean
 - Paint by number project again

- Engage the Christmas time volunteers
- Pleasant Park themed? Commemorative piece for their new buildings?
- Susan worries BlackBird Circle is in the wrong spot because of how delicate it is. She suggests to put it in the Courtyard by the Community Center.
 - Tom agrees that it does gets lost a bit.
 - Tom, no movement right now

Motion to Adjourn

- Time: 8:02pm
- 1st: Bethany Bryant
- 2nd: Sean Durham