

**Appearance Commission Meeting
February 1, 2016
Minutes**

Members Present: Allison Klepchick, Nora Cambier, Kim Murray, Linda Tracy, and Peggy Laughery

Members Absent: Sandy Foutch

Staff Present: Patrick Reidy, Planner

Guests: Mayor Gray and Commissioner Carroll

1. Meeting Called to Order & Welcome

Patrick Reidy called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. A quorum was established per the bylaws.

2. Adjustment and Approval of the Agenda

Linda Tracy made a motion to approve the agenda. The motion was seconded by Nora Cambier. The vote was unanimous.

3. Approval of Minutes

Nora Cambier made a motion to approve the January 4, 2016 meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Allison Klepchick. The vote was unanimous.

4. Public Comments:

No public comments were given.

5. Discussion, Consideration, and Action on the Following Items:

A. Art Walk

Patrick Reidy informed the members that he sent out applications to the artists that were suggested at the January meeting. He asked for members to give their input on any logistics that haven't been discussed. Peggy Laughery had a concern about having clean water for artists to use throughout the day. Patrick said that he would look in to the concern so that we would have a solution in place. It was asked if Wendell Falls has any residents who might be interested in entering the contest. Patrick said he would reach out to their marketing director to see if she knew of anyone.

It was discussed how the paintings would be judged. Mayor Gray and Commissioner Carroll were asked to serve on the judging panel and both agreed. Kim Murray said that she would ask Dr. Connie Jones to serve as a judge since she has an appreciation of art. Peggy Laughery suggested having the East Wake High School art teacher, Megan Bostic, serve as a judge. Patrick said he would reach out to Megan. Patrick asked for other suggestions for judges. He said that having a panel of at least seven judges would be best.

Patrick asked the members to share their ideas regarding the Artists Reception and Silent Auction. It was determined to have all beer and wine sales go through Wine101 since we would be using their space. It was suggested that we borrow high top tables from Lesia McKenzie and have peanuts and pretzels for guests. It was also determined that the artists bring their easels to display their paintings.

B. Party with a Purpose

Patrick Reidy asked Allison Klepchick and Ben Carroll to update the members for the upcoming Party with a Purpose Benefit. Patrick explained that after discussing the event with town staff, that it would be in the best interest if the event were hosted “outside” of the Appearance Commission’s official capacity and a donation be made to the Appearance Commission. This would remove the requirements to keep track of receipts for all expenses for auditing purposes.

It was stated that the event would start with a cocktail hour from 6pm-7pm following by dinner catered by Prime Barbecue. The reverse raffle will be for \$2,000. Patrick said he would create the tickets and Allison said she would work with him on the design. Ben said that he has a lead on a photographer. Allison said that 12 round tables are being rented from Wendell United Methodist Church. Patrick said he could borrow rectangular tables from the Community Center if needed. Patrick also stated that he received permission to use the chairs at Town Hall if needed. Allison said that she was working on scheduling a DJ as well.

The following items were mentioned as being donated so far for the silent auction:

- ORCA cooler
- Wendell Falls pool membership
- Wendell Country Club membership
- Mountain house (4 days/3 nights)
- Beach house
- Jewelry
- \$1,000 towards a commercial or website from New Frame
- Frame Mural print
- Donation of some kind from Peggy Laughery

6. Chairwoman, Board Members, and Guests’ Comments

Mayor Gray asked Patrick Reidy if he could find out when the next Wendell Falls HOA would be held so that she could attend and introduce herself and let their residents know

about opportunities to participate in events and citizen groups in Wendell.

7. Adjourn

Kim Murray made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Allison Klepchick seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous. The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.