**MINUTES**

**CITY OF SUWANEE, GEORGIA**

**PUBLIC ARTS COMMISSION (PAC) MEETING**

**FEBRUARY 3, 2016**

**6:00 PM**

**Attending:**

Commission members: Vickie Johnson, Lisa Winton, Berney Kirkland, Cherie Heringer, Tim O’Brien (Suzanne Holtkamp arrived at 6:15 PM, one vacancy)

Staff: Denise Brinson, Alyssa Durden, Toni Shrewsbury

**Call to Order**

Lisa Winton called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**Approval of Minutes**

Vickie Johnson moved to approve the minutes from the November 4, 2015 meeting as presented (Berney Kirkland 2nd). Motion carried 5-0.

**Adoption of the Agenda**

Berney Kirkland moved to adopt the agenda as presented (Vickie Johnson 2nd). Motion carried 5-0.

**Developer Consultant Updates**

Avonlea Station – Alyssa Durden shared that Lincoln Weis, Suwanee’s public art consultant, worked with Avonlea Station to advise regarding location and scale of the commissioned piece they plan to install in April 2016. Atlanta artist, Phil Proctor, will be creating the sculpture.

MacDonald’s – Alyssa shared that McDonalds’s has commissioned a 6-8 foot tall cactus made entirely of painted horseshoes. Suwanee’s public art consultant, Lincoln Weis, visited the site and suggested a location. McDonald’s corporate must approve the site location.

Burger King – Alyssa reported that although Burger King plans to participate in the public art initiative, they have turned down the offer of public art consulting services.

Main Event – Alyssa shared that Main Event has commissioned artist Adam Walls to create multiple pieces. Public art consultant, Lincoln Weis, is working with the artist on concept and with Main Event on location siting.

Denise Brinson shared that Suwanee Green, a single family community, Children’s Learning Adventure, an upscale daycare, and Atlanta Fitness, a work-out facility, will be offered the services of public art consultant Lincoln Weis. All of the aforementioned projects have previously met with the PAC.

**“Guess Who’s Coming to Cocktails?” – Fundraiser Update**

Cherie Heringer outlined the various guests that will appear/perform as well as advising that the event has moved to City Hall (there will be no tent). Cherie also asked commission members to participate as event ambassadors in numerous capacities; she will put together a schedule.

Denise explained that a collection of posters, presenting Suwanee’s public art, will be on display during the event and that carriage rides through Town Center Park will highlight the SculpTour exhibit.

Vickie Johnson advised that the North Gwinnett Artists Association’s Center for the Arts will be open for the event and will be hosting a potter, a sculptor and various artists who will be creating during the evening along with a violinist and guitarist who will be providing entertainment. Cupcakes and signature cocktails will be available at the Arts Center as well. Original art can be purchased at the gallery during the event with half of the proceeds going towards Suwanee’s public art initiative.

**North Gwinnett Arts Association – Arts Center/Welcome Center**

Vickie Johnson gave a description of the layout of the center and the classes that will be offered. An opening date of March 1, 2016 is anticipated.

**Other**

Public Arts Commission Field Trip 2016 – Toni Shrewsbury will look into planning a tour of the public art in the City of Atlanta; possibly in June of 2016.

Public Art Master Plan (PAMP) – Denise advised the final plan will be printed and available at the next PAC meeting in March. The PAC will use the PAMP as a guide going forward. Toni will put together a PAC report card after March 5, 2016.

Snap Suwanee – Denise asked for volunteers to judge the 2016 Snap Suwanee photo contest on February 16 at City Hall. Lisa Winton, Tim O’Brien and Vickie Johnson volunteered.

Public Arts Commission vacancy – Denise asked that commission members be on the look-out for someone qualified to fill the PAC vacancy.

**Adjournment**

Berney Kirkland moved to adjourn at 7:22 p.m. (Suzanne Holtkamp 2nd). Motion carried 6-0.

Minutes submitted by Toni Shrewsbury.