## NASHVILLE ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT COMMISSION PUBLIC ART COMMITTEE MEETING **TUESDAY, AUGUST 15, 2017**

Attending: Nancy Crocker, Bob Kirlin (left at 12:45pm) Michael Fulton (left at 1:05pm), and Cathy Martin.

## **BUSINESS**

The meeting began at 12:00pm at Sweetea's Tea Shop.

Michael Fulton was appointed chair of the committee.

Discussed possible public art displays:

- Replacement piece for Dancers at the Artist Colony Inn
- Replacement piece for Coachlight Square, base with fasteners currently exists
- New placement at northwest corner of Gould and Van Buren. A new restaurant is being developed and the owners would support an installation on their property.
- Possible purchase of "High Lonesome" sculpture currently located in patio planter in front of the Nashville House and Spears Gallery. Need to research the original agreement to determine the purchase price. Also need to consider placing the piece on a platform to elevate the sculpture. Currently vegetation blocks the lower portion from view.
- Discuss relocation of the BETA "All Together Now" sculpture from the Pat Reilly parking lot to a location on the Brown County School campus, perhaps at the Junior High entrance.

Future public art acquisitions should compare purchase vs rental in terms of cost and long term display. Our focus should be on Indiana artists and we will investigate developing a formal Request for Proposal process specifically for murals and sculptures. One possible mural would be on the north wall of the Brown County Playhouse and one possible sculpture could be figures on the "liar's bench" with a seat open for visitors to take a photo sitting with the group.

The committee should revisit the "leaves in the street" project. May not pursue this as a crosswalk, but decoration on side streets.

Recommend to the NAEC that we support the After School Art Committee. The committee will develop programs allowing musicians and artists to teach after school.

We may suggest/support students painting their parking spaces at the High School

At 1:00pm Mark Schmidt arrived to present details on a "Fairy House" public art installation. Sketches of possible designs were presented at the August 10, 2017 NAEC meeting and this was a follow-up discussion to obtain more specifics on the construction. The group traveled to the recommended installation site, on north Franklin Street in front of the Brown County Weavery.

Meeting adjourned at 2:00pm.

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