

1. Call to Order

Present were Theresa Shampine, Jamie Foster, Shanna Coulter, Jonathan Kesler, Judy Bishop, Elaine Federico, and Haley Whyte. Also present were staff liaison Kristin Norton Green, Lauren Johnson, Angie Kreimer and Melissa Kreimer.

2. Approval of the Agenda

A motion to approve the agenda was made by Federico and was seconded by Shampine. The agenda was approved unanimously.

3. Approval of the Minutes from January Meeting

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Cultural Arts Commission Draft Minutes - January 15, 2025

Attachments: Minutes - Cultural Arts Commission - January 15, 2025

A motion to approve the minutes for the January meeting was made by Shampine and seconded by Coulter. The minutes were unanimously approved.

4. Public Input

Angie and Melissa Kreimer of Board and Brush, opening soon in the Riverstone area, discussed their art-based business.

5. Old Business

A. Discussion of Projects for FY25 - Council Presentation on March 20

The group discussed the presentation that Foster was scheduled to give to Council on March 20. Foster discussed the themes of movement and connection represented in the proposed project. The group also discussed the potential for acquiring sponsorships for future projects.

B. Follow Up on Events - West Main Arts Festival and Empty Bowls

Foster reported that the West Main Arts Festival was a success and thanked the group for their support. She reported that attendance was up 39% this year. Norton Green reported on the successful Empty Bowls event, held by the Georgia Clay Council and sponsored by the Canton Cultural Arts Commission. The group would like to support both events again next year.

6. New Business

7. Board Introduced Items

A. Interactive Art Installations - Elaine Federico

Federico shared video of light installations and public art installations from a recent trip to Canada. The group showed interest in musical bikes and light installations.

8. Monthly Theatre and Cultural Arts Updates - Kristin Norton Green

Norton Green provided an update for Theatre programming, including the Retro Movie Series, Southern Circuit Film, All Call Dance Class, and Canton City Limits Open Mic Night.

9. Adjourn