Canton, Georgia

110 Academy Street Canton, Georgia 30114



Minutes - Final - Draft

Wednesday, July 16, 2025

5:30 PM

Canton Theatre
171 East Main Street

Cultural Arts Commission

1. Call to Order

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

2. Approval of the Agenda

A motion to approve the agenda was made by Coulter and was seconded by Bishop. The agenda was approved unanimously.

3. Approval of the Minutes from May Meeting

A. Cultural Arts Commission Draft Minutes - May 21, 2025

Attachments: Minutes - Cultural Arts Commission - May 21, 2025

A motion to approve the minutes for the meeting was made by Whyte and seconded by Bishop. The minutes were unanimously approved.

4. Public Input

None

5. Old Business

A. Heritage Park at Waleska Street Bridge Sculpture Project

Foster led the group in a discussion about the sculpture project. It was proposed that if a call for artists could be finished by the August Meeting of the Cultural Arts Commission, the project could move forward quickly. The group also decided that they would like to request a meeting with Parks and Recreation Manager Adam Dodson to identify other potential sites for sculpture.

6. New Business

A. Fundraising - Shanna Coulter

Coulter led the group in a discussion about the potential for fundraising and various methods of raising money, such as project based or general fundraising.

B. Simple Ideas for 2025 - Jamie Foster

Foster expressed concern over making the Commission's presence known to the community in 2025. She asked that staff liaison Norton Green check with the Communications Department for an update on the proposed video about Cultural Arts.

7. Board Introduced Items

None

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

Norton Green provided an update for Theatre programming, including the Retro Movie Series, All Call Dance Class, Canton City Limits Open Mic Night, and Summer Family Movie Series. Norton Green also gave a presentation on the intersection of Arts and Tourism and ways that the two boards share a vision and potential ways the two could work together to further that vision.

9. Adjourn

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