

**WACC Meeting Minutes**  
**Tuesday, January 11th, 2022**  
**5:00 via Zoom**

**Present:** Betsy Sweeny, Bethany Decker, Micah Underwood, Matt Harder, Logan Schmitt, Natalie Cline, Lambros Tsuhlares, Danielle McCracken), Rick Morgan, Will Wallace, Jeanne Fistein, Jen Materkoski, Jason Birch, Rosemary Ketchum

**Call to Order:** 5:04 PM

**Approval of Minutes:** No December minutes to approve

**Treasurer's Report:** No formal report.

**Budget Update:** Bylaw update info

- City accepted WACC's proposed budget - YAAAAAY!
- City budget timeline is offset from WACC bylaws
- Need to amend our bylaws to align
- Budget circulated among commission members for viewing

**Next Projects:**

- Event Discussion: Rick Morgan and Lambros Tsuhlares (introduced to us by Danielle McCracken).
  - Lambros presented his concept for a national/regional juried ceramics exhibit at the Stifel Fine Arts Center and an intercollegiate juried exhibit at West Liberty University.
  - Both exhibits would include prize money.
  - Lambros will fund prizes and the jury fee. Ceramics
  - Looking to establish it as a branded, annual event
  - Want to welcome more artists, growth.
  - Clear WACC roles: advertisement, communication with artists and OI.
  - Their next meeting: Jan. 21 (Fri.) 9:30 AM @ Stifel. WACC is welcome to attend.
- Bridge and Tunnel Christmas Show: Bethany's proposal. Wheeling Heritage Artist Grant. Danielle McCracken firsted, Jeanne Finstein seconded motion to create subcommittee. Members: Matt, Jason, Micah, me.
- 1st and 3rd Fridays: Jason proposal- John Banko moving gigs to Market Plaza for 3rd Fridays. Market Plaza will have rotating artists and music will be more arts-friendly music. Invite more nationally or even locally known artists and have our own artists open for them. Rich from Main St. Bank committed to financial support. WACC role = provide and communicate to vendors (food, artists, etc.). Possibly conflicts with Clientele's new First Fridays takeover. We have \$15,000 budgeted for arts festivals this year. Subcommittee: Jason, Matt, Rosemary.
- Logan - Get a static group of WACC volunteers to cover up offensive graffiti through Wheeling.

Create a WACC tag?!?! One that's used to cover up this on public property. Meet with Public Works Dept. to propose it. Need a procedure (steps to cover them). Stencil designs - provide at proposal meeting. Motion to create a subcommittee for this project: Logan 1st, Micah 2nd. Project subcommittee members include: Logan, Micah, Betsy, Bethany.

**Old Business:**

- Heritage Trail Mural: Unveiling during spring? Need photo op. Need a press release for this event - Betsy will take care of this. Logan can help, too! Blast this on social media. Boost it (marketing/budget money).
- Erin has resigned.
- We might have more positions open - 3 or 4 vacancies available. Those interested send a letter of interest and a resume at BJ Delbert (clerk at City of Wheeling).

**Adjourn:** Motion by Jeanne, 2nd Matt