

VILLAGE OF MAMARONECK ARTS COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
Wednesday, May 11, 2016 – 7:00P.M.
Village Hall Conference Room, 123 Mamaroneck Ave.

1. Members and guests:
 - i. Members present: Robin Campbell, Jane Dorian, Jacqueline Meier, Trustee and BOT Liaison, David Finch
Absent: Solange De Santis, Michael Rosenbaum, Roberta Safire
 - ii. Volunteers: Chari Allison, Joycemarie Washburn, Laura Bott, Melissa Moak
 - iii. Guest: Meg Yergin
2. Meeting called to order
 - i. The meeting of the Arts Council was called to order by Meier at 7:07 PM.
3. Approval of minutes
 - i. Meier moved to approve the minutes of the April meeting. Cambelll seconded. All voted in favor.
4. Resignation of Member
 - i. Vice Chairwoman Meier announced that member Emily Marshall resigned due to other commitments. Solange De Santis met with artist Holly Crawford who is interested in joining the Council. Holly will come to a future meeting so that members can meet her.
5. Poetry Live: Chair: Dorian
 - i. Dorian reported on Poetry Live! and both she and De Santis felt that the 15th Anniversary Celebration on Sunday, April 24, was a spectacular event honoring Mary Louise Cox. A famous guest poet, Ralph Nazareth, opened the event with an inspiring talk and shared his poetry with the students. A reception followed and students, teachers and families had a chance to meet Ralph Nazareth, buy his autographed book of poems (profits go to his charity in India), meet Mary Louise Cox and enjoy refreshments. Feedback from the teachers was glowing.
 - ii. The Poetry Night at Café Mozart on Monday, April 25 was also a rousing success with local poets, musicians, and Mary Louise Cox. Dorothy Saraceno organized the evening as a special poetry and jazz event honoring Mary Louise Cox and celebrating live poetry.
6. Mural project
 - i. Meier and Council members discussed the possible sites for murals in the Village. Bott showed several mural designs that she had on her computer from a mural artist, Piero Manrique. Members discussed which one of the designs would be best to start with and which design would represent the Village of Mamaroneck best. Members preferred the bird design.
7. Sculpture unveiling
 - i. Meier reported on the cold, rainy weather on May 6, the day of the unveiling of the sculptures donated to the village by Michael and Mai-Britt Rosenbaum. In addition to the

Rosenbaums, those attending the event included Mayor Norm Rosenblum, Senator George Latimer, Parks and Recreation Supervisor Sandy Korkatzis, Town of Mamaroneck Councilwoman Jaine Eney, and members Solange De Santis and Jacqueline Meier. LMC-TV, Fios1 , and Mamaroneck Review, were present as well, along with a professional photographer. Council members are excited to continue to find ways to add sculpture in the village under the Arts Live mission. Members discussed the possibility of sculpture owners lending sculpture, perhaps from SUNY Purchase students also. Trustee Finch suggested that the Council reach out to the Harbor Island Conservancy about possible sites for sculptures.

8. Art lectures

i. Washburn and Meier reported on the artist lecture series starting May 23rd at the Mamaroneck Library featuring dancer Megan Williams. Laura Bott created a beautiful poster to advertise the event.

9. Summer Nights on the Sound :

i. Meier reported on the progress of the summer concerts. RFPs have gone to sound and stage vendors. The De Rosa family is donating \$2500 and the Orange Bank and Trust is donating \$250. Laura Bott showed the council members two posters she designed. The members chose the one with the music clef. The poster showed the list of concerts very clearly. Laura said that she will design individual posters announcing each concert, possibly with a photo and description of the individual artist. Laura said she will also help with Facebook and Instagram publicity.

Four bands were confirmed.

July 10 (Latin/Jazz) SUNY Purchase

July 17 (Tribute band) –Back to the Garden (Woodstock)

July 24 (Rock/blues) – Soul'D Again

July 31 (Big band) – Bensen-Scott Big Band

Note: August 14, 21 are rain dates. August 7 is Family Fun Night.

10. Sidewalk Chalk Painting

i. Members discussed the possibility of having an artist do chalk painting that lasts about three weeks on the sidewalk. One idea was to do it for the Block Party. The council would have to make a proposal and send to Rich Slingerland.

11. Future projects/events

i. Bott discussed the possibility of combining tile and paint in murals and working with the glass studio in Mamaroneck. She also mentioned doing a fold out map of businesses in Mamaroneck and having an art walk.

ii. Meg Yergin mentioned the Greenwich Arts Council which hosts an Art Walk. Businesses select artists to exhibit in their store or shop. Possibility for Mamaroneck, too.

iii. Bott announced that the Bott Studio in Mamaroneck will host an art and skateboarding painting event on June 18.

12. Adjournment: Motion to adjourn was made by Meier and seconded by Campbell. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm.