

VILLAGE OF MAMARONECK ARTS COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
Wednesday, March 9, 2016 – 7:00P.M.
Village Hall Conference Room, 123 Mamaroneck Ave.

1. Members and guests:
 - i. Members present: Robin Campbell, Jane Dorian, Emily Marshall, Solange De Santis , Roberta Safire, Trustee and BOT Liaison, David Finch
Absent: Jacqueline Meier, Michael Rosenbaum
 - ii. Guests: Joycemarie Washburn, Melissa Moak, Laura Bott
2. Meeting called to order
 - i. The meeting of the Arts Council was called to order by De Santis at 7:03 PM.
3. Approval of minutes
 - i. Campbell moved to approve the minutes of the February meeting, Marshall seconded. All voted in favor.
4. Welcome of new guest
 - i. Chairwoman De Santis introduced Laura Bott, a graphic artist and designer who owns the Bott Shoppe, a design studio in Mamaroneck. A future meeting of the Arts Council may be held at the Bott Shoppe. Bott discussed art projects in her studio and in the community.
5. Poetry Live: Chairs: Dorian/De Santis
 - i. Dorian reported on Poetry Live! and spoke about the possibility of having a recognized poet speak to the students and read some of his poetry. Diane Sarna, one of the teachers involved in Poetry Live, recommended poet Ralph Nazareth. De Santis/Dorian will contact the poet. De Santis reported that the contracts are done for the Emelin Theater and for LMCTV to tape the program. Arts Council members discussed the idea of refreshments, perhaps in the Library Community Room. De Santis will contact the Library.
 - ii. Café Mozart will be sponsoring a poetry reading in the evening on April 22 or 23. Dorian will contact local poets to read their poems.
6. Mural project
 - i. The Council members are researching possible sites for murals in the Village. Members discussed the idea of street art as temporary, eventually replacing one mural with another.
 - ii. Dave Finch talked about how art benefits the Village and how art can help make a village a destination.
7. Sculpture garden
 - i. De Santis and members discussed dates for dedicating the sculpture garden, and it seemed that the best dates would be a Friday morning in May, possibly May 6, 13, or 20. De Santis will contact Mike Rosenbaum to discuss.

8. Art lectures

i. De Santis reported that Jacqueline Meier is working on organizing Art Lectures for the community. Honorariums were discussed, as well as additional costs for printing and advertising. Lectures would take place at the Library.

9. Summer Nights on the Sound

i. De Santis reported that 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.

De Santis mentioned that we need new Banners for Summer Nights on the Sound, and possibly new signs.

10. Budget

i. De Santis discussed budget issues since the Village will be considering budget requests. The Arts Council, as well as other Village Committees, feels that a Public Relations person is needed to handle publicity and promotion of programs, post social media, keep track of media, take photos, etc. De Santis asked Arts Council members for recommendations/names of possible PR persons.

11. Adjournment: motion to adjourn was made by Campbell, seconded by Dorian, and approved. Meeting adjourned at 8:14 pm.