

Newtown Cultural Arts Commission

April 23, 2013

Meeting Minutes

The Newtown Cultural Arts Commission held a meeting on Tuesday, April 23, 2013, at the HealingNewtown Arts Space, 5 Queen Street, Newtown, CT.

Members Present: Jennifer Johnston, Robert Rabinowitz, Laura Lerman, Donna Mangiafico, Donna Jennifer Rogers, Robert Kaiser, Donna Randle, Ted Kreinik

Members Absent: None

Auxiliary Members Present: Terry Sagedy, Andrea Spencer

Guests: Lindsay Kelkres

Jennifer Johnston called the meeting to order at 7:40 PM.

- Minutes: Minutes of March 26th, NCAC meeting, approved unanimously.
- Officers Report:
 - Jen Johnston (Chair):
 - Jen will be meeting in the next couple weeks with Pat Llodra
 - Jen Rogers (Vice Chair):
 - Nothing not in the agenda
 - Robert Rabinowitz (Secretary):
 - Need to move next month's meeting back to Municipal Center – Robert to contact Town Clerk to make arrangements for calendar and Sue Marcinek to get meeting room.
- Treasurer's Report (Donna Mangiafico):
 - Sponsorship money is starting to come in for Arts Festival
 - Motion to reimburse Evan Dobos from PictureThis WebCenter for \$115.05 for Wufoo Services, motion by Jen R, second by Donna R, approved unanimously.
- Arts Festival
 - Terry Sagedy, Chairperson of the Arts Festival Special Committee:
 - Donna & Terry working on raising money/sponsorships
 - Next 30 days critical for our fundraising efforts
 - Poster design being done by David Wheeler
 - Graphic design support commitment from Linda Parsoe
 - Rooster Ball chairperson appointed
 - Plans for a full week of events leading up to Festival are coming along
- Grants/Scholarships:
 - Scholarships: 7 applications came in on April 12th for the scholarship. Sub-committee met on April 27th and will meet with the candidates on Monday at Newtown High School.
 - Grants:
 - Motion to accept grant application as is with dates amended by Laura L, seconded by Donna M. Approved unanimously.

- Motion to allocate \$1,000 to fund grant to artist or arts organization, by Laura L, seconded by Donna M. Approved 5 to 2.
- Press Relations/Releases
 - Met with Bee about press for Arts Festival.
 - Press releases about activities at HealingNewtown continue to be sent out every week.
- Newsletter
 - Latest newsletter came out last week
- Website
 - Discussion of switching NCAC website calendar to Eventbrite –Jen J, Robert R, and Robert K will meet to discuss.
- Public Participation:
 - None
- HealingNewtown:
 - 501c3 – Ted & Jen J to meet with Lisa Scails and others next week
 - Space: search for new location continues.
- Other Business: None

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:36 pm

Next Meeting: Tuesday, May 28th, 2013, HealingNewtown Arts Space, 5 Queen Street, Newtown, CT at 7:30 PM.