

# Newtown Cultural Arts Commission

## December 16, 2014

### Meeting Minutes

The Newtown Cultural Arts Commission held a meeting on Tuesday November 25, 2014, at Town Hall South, Newtown CT.

**Members Present:** Robert Rabinowitz, Donna Mangiafico, Laura Lerman, Ted Kreinik, Andrea Spencer, Donna Randle, Jen Rodgers, Ted Kreinik, Jen Cebry

**Members Absent:** Robert Kaiser

**Auxiliary Members:** Terry Sagedy, Elaine Barbara

Laura Lerman called the discussion to order at 7:04 PM.

- Minutes: Minutes of October 28 , 2014, NCAC meeting, approved unanimously
- Officers Report:
  - Laura Lerman (Chair): NCAC now has a display case in the library
    - Ideas for displays are appreciated
  - Jen Cebry (Vice Chair)
    - Elections for NCAC officers coming up in January. Jen is considering moving to Chicago so she will be stepping down from the Vice Chair positions (but will stay a member until she moves)
  - Robert Rabinowitz (Secretary) - None
- Treasurer's Report (Donna Mangiafico)
  - Status of accounts
  - Motion by Donna M, second by Andrea to allocate 1\$0,000 seed money for 2015 Newtown Arts Festival. Passed unanimously.
  - Discussion of HealingNewtown Funds
- Grants Writing
  - Discussion of hiring a grant writer.
  - Proposal by Robert R to allocate up to \$1500 for Grant Writing. Seconded by Jen R. Passed Unanimously.
  - Proposal by Robert R to hire Valerie Culbertson at \$25 an for up to 60 hours of grant writing on behalf the Newtown Cultural Arts Commission. Seconded by Donna R. Passed unanimously.
- Programming
  - Working with Parks & Recreation on classes
  - Gone With The Wind – very successful! Great attendance and great publicity.
- Destination Newtown:
  - NCAC Booth
  - Discussion of display options
- Warehouse & Equipment
  - Rob Kaiser is our liaison with the warehouse
    - Rob is also keep of the book & spreadsheet
  - We have loaned equipment to the resiliency center
- NCAC Scholarships and Grants

- Subcommittee is meeting in January
- Newsletter
  - Donna M has volunteered to help with the newsletter
- 2015 Arts Festival (Terry S)
  - Festival Committee meets next in January
  - Thank you letters and NCAC Calendars going out to the 2014 sponsors
  - 2016 Art Contest will most likely be October 31, 2015
  - Motion by Donna M to authorize \$750 for the 2016 Arts Festival Prize Money, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ted. Passed Unanimously
- 2015 NCAC Meetings
  - All NCAC meetings will be the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of every month except Nov & Dec which will be Nov 17<sup>th</sup> and Dec 15<sup>th</sup>.
- Motion by Jen R, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Donna M to make Elaine Barbara an auxiliary member. Passed unanimously.
- Other Business:
  - Ted Kreinik announced that it being the end of his 3 year term as an NCAC Commissioner he has decided not to renew but to enjoy some time off at the start of his retirement. The Commission commended Ted on his tenure and service.
- Public Participation
  - None

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:41 pm

Next Meeting: Tuesday, January 27, 2015, Town Hall South Meeting Room (lower level).

**Newtown Cultural Arts Commission  
2015 Meeting Dates  
Tuesdays - 7:00 PM**

All meetings to be held at: Conference room at Town Hall South

**2015 NCAC Meeting Schedule**

January 26, 2015  
February 23, 2015  
March 23, 2015  
April 27, 2015  
May 26, 2015  
June 22, 2015  
July 27, 2015  
August 24, 2015  
September 22, 2015  
October 27, 2015  
November 17, 2015  
December 15, 2015  
January 26, 2016