

Newtown Cultural Arts Commission

July 28, 2015

Meeting Minutes

The Newtown Cultural Arts Commission held a meeting on Tuesday July 28, 2015, at Town Hall South.

Members Present: Robert Rabinowitz, Laura Lerman, Jen Rogers, Donna Randle, Jen Cebry, Andrea Spencer, Donna Mangiafico,

Members Absent: John Conk, Donna Randle, Rob Kaiser

Auxiliary Members: Elaine Barbera

Guests: Curt Synes

Laura Lerman called the meeting to order at 7:07 PM.

- Minutes: Minutes of June 23 2015, NCAC meeting, approved unanimously
- Officers Report:
 - Laura Lerman (Chair):
 - After School Arts Program that was developed in Washington looking to extend to Newtown – looking for board members
 - Meeting with people about project to make Sandy Hook Village more attractive
 - Andrea: No update
 - Robert R: Attendance & Membership
- Treasurer's Report (Donna Mangiafico)
 - Art Installation/Project – Center Piece
 - Cash Boxes
- 2015 Arts Festival (Terry Sagedy):
 - Float
 - 2015 Centerpiece
 - 2014 Centerpiece
 - Sponsors
 - 2013 Benches
- Programming (Andrea)
 - Parks & Rec
 - Motion by Jen Rogers to allocate up to \$600 for “Studio on the Move” arts classes, seconded by Jen C. Approved unanimously.
- Poet Laureate (Laura, Donna M)
 - Applications coming in
- NCAC Scholarships and Grants (Donna R)
 - Grant applications due August 7th.
- Film Festival (Jen R)
 - This year's series has been quite successful... attendance has been great
 - 2 more films have been added
- Prison Performance (Jen R)
 - Report from Jen on the performance: Creative writing, poetry, play
- Motion by Robert Rabinowitz to reimburse Jen Rogers \$50 for our membership in the Cultural Alliance

- Library Showcase
 - Current showcase is Polymer Clay
- Municipal Center
 - Show starting August 1st is Aria Brownell
- Website (Rob K)
 - Rob was absent
- Social Media
 - Countdown calendar for Arts Festival
- Newsletter (Jen R)
 - Next newsletter will be in August
 - September newsletter will be focused on the Festival
- Public Participation
 - Curt – advice on commission participation
- Other Business
 - Jen R: weavers rent up for renewal in November

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:35 pm

Next Meeting: Tuesday, August 25, 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 unless otherwise noted

2015 NCAC Meeting Schedule

February 3, 2015 (Newtown Municipal Center, Meeting Room 1)

February 24, 2015

March 24, 2015

April 28, 2015

May 26, 2015

June 23, 2015

July 28, 2015

August 25, 2015

September 22, 2015

October 27, 2015

November 17, 2015

December 15, 2015