

Cultural Arts Commission

September 8, 2016

Meeting Minutes

The Newtown Cultural Arts Commission held a meeting on Thursday September 8, 2016 at Town Hall South.

Members Present: Laura Lerman, Jen Cebry, Andrea Spencer, Tracy VanBuskirk, Donna Randle, Rob Kaiser

Members Absent: Robert Rabinowitz, Scott Switzer, John Conk

Auxiliary Members: Lisa Schwartz, Elaine Barbera, Terry Sagedy

Laura Lerman called the meeting to order at 7:10 PM.

Arts festival:

Rooster BBQ Bash on path to success.

Banner from the 2015 parade cannot be hung on the FFH cyclone fence. Will be posted on lawn of 55 Main Street.

Lisa Schwartz, Newtown Poet laureate, will take over as head of poetry tent for 2017 festival.

Officers Report:

Chair: motion to renew Membership in Newtown Chamber of Commerce by Donna Randle; seconded by Andrea Spencer; passed unanimously; Laura will talk to Chamber about bartering a table at the Arts Festival for table at Destination Newtown September 23.

Scholarship event October 15:

Donna Randle reported plans for event: tag sale tables, silent auction, food, face painting.

Motion to reimburse Laura Lerman for \$100 membership fees for Cultural Alliance of Fairfield County: Donna Randle; seconded, Jen Cebrey; passed unanimously.

Jen Cebrey reported that she attended the meeting if the Fairfield Hills Authority to begun plans/advocacy for turning Plymouth Hall into a Cultural Center. She

got a copy of the professional assessment from EverWonder Museum on the building. Basement is now dry. She will be presenting a letter of intent at the next meeting.

Motion to ask that Plymouth Hall be put on the next Agenda of FHH by Donna Randle; seconded by Tracy VanBuskirk. Passed unanimously. .

Motion to adjourn by Jen Cebrey; seconded by Rob Kaiser. Passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Laura E. Lerman

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