



Minutes

September 28, 2011 | 10:00am – 11am | City Hall Auditorium

Commissioner's Present- Sally Bergad, Diane Consolini, Steve Criss, Lynn Gelormino, Bill Haygood, Jessica Hodorski, Gail Kruppa, Sharon Waagner

Members Present- Jerry Davidson, Rose Ponte, Teresa and John Sullivan, Tom Bott, Tim Orie, Michael Yurgalis,

- I. Call To Order 10:06
Motion: Lynn Gelormino
Second: Sharon Waagner
- II. Introduction/Welcome to any visitors
- III. Acceptance of previous Meeting Minutes
Motion: Sharon Waagner
Second: Bill Haygood
- IV. Nomination and Election of Commission Chair, Vice Chair and Secretary. The Commission made a motion to extend officer terms through October and form a nomination committee. The motion was made by Lynn Gelormino and second by Bill Haygood. The nominating committee is comprised of Lynn Gelormino and Sharon Waagner.
- V. Sub Committee Reports:
 - i. Mural Project – Rose Ponte- The mural project is complete. There is still the ongoing issue and concern about the maintenance of the mural. With the completion of this mural, the Commission is talking about creating a “how-to” guide for other interested parties. In creating mural projects throughout the town.
 - ii. Artspace:Torrington – Sharon—Artspace is over and a survey will go out to all of the participating artists. The committee said that it was a learning event and they are taking into consideration stricter guidelines for next year. John Sullivan mentioned that Grand Rapids, MI does something similar to Artspace and MSMP on a larger scale. He is going to research some of their events and bring them back to the group next time.
 - iii. Main Street Marketplace – Rose/Steve—MSMP had a wrap-up meeting and decided that the event was very successful. Meetings for 2012 MSMP will begin in January 2012.
 - iv. Singer/Songwriter Network – Jacque—Please see attachment A.

- v. Light Up Main – Rose—The next meeting is October 6th at 1:30 at City Hall. The sub-committee is still looking at ways to enhance the event, such as storytimes, screen projects and more.

II.

- i. Friday Film Forum at CAFTA; Starting the 7th of October.

VI. Open Floor--CAFTA is planning a block party October 29th for Halloween. People are encouraged to wear costumes and the event is going to be held in their outdoor parking lot. Also, they are beginning a Friday Film Forum on October 7th and it will run every Friday night with a film and discussion following with wine and appetizers.

VII. Upcoming ACT Meetings

- a. Official ACT Meeting – October 26th 10am – City Hall Auditorium
(Nomination and election of new officers)

VII. Call to Close: 11:45

Motion: Steve Criss

Second: Jessica Hodorski

Attachment A

GENERAL MONTHLY REPORT
SEPTEMBER 28, 2011

CURRENT ACTIVITIES

Mon 6 – 9 pm PERFORMANCE LAB T-Place Sports Bar & Grill

Weds 8 – 11 pm “Singer/Songwriter Open Mic” Bar 131

Thurs 8 – 11 Singer/Songwriter Artist Showcase Backstage:
October line up to be announced.

PROPOSED ACTIVITIES

Singer/Songwriters 2nd Year Anniversary has been postponed.

Word-Up: Spoken Word Collaboration w/Torrington Library, Litchfield County Writers Project @ U-Conn starting in October has been delayed.

Studio 316, the recording studio owned and operated by Joe Mazarella and engineer Jim Cattey is up and running.

The studio serves as an affiliate of the Singer/Songwriter Network. Singer/Songwriter Network members will be able to use the facility at a 50% discount.

We are still accepting submissions for the first volume of the Singer/Songwriter Network compilation disc.

The project to produce a Torrington motivational/theme song is almost completed.

We were honored to be selected to perform at the Torrington Downtown Partners 1 year anniversary event. Special thanks to our artists/performers Jimmy Reccioni, Ron Blake, Lana Peck & Mark Papallo.

There is no update on our offer to Brother Jerry Davidson of Trinity Church for the position of music manuscript writer for all Singer/Songwriter compilation projects.

SHORT TERM OBJECTIVES

- 1) Start recognizing and developing artist/musicians within the music programs of the Torrington School District.
- 2) Develop features and benefits for a Singer/Songwriter Membership Package.
- 3) To utilize discovertorrington.com as a destination for artist/members sign up and to announce events & activities.