

**CULTURAL ACTIVITIES COMMISSION  
CITY OF NORTH OLMSTED  
NORTH OLMSTED LIBRARY  
MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 2, 2011**

**ROLL CALL**

Chair Yustick called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. at the North Olmsted Branch Library.

Present: John Kepperley, Beverle Martindale, David Wahl, Gerald Yustick, Nasreen  
Starner, Miguel Cora

Absent: Barbara Brown

**REVIEW AND CORRECTION OF MINUTES**

**Mr. Kepperley moved, seconded by Mr. Wahl, to approve the December 1st and 15th, 2010 minutes, which passed 6-0.**

**OLD BUSINESS**

**Review of 2010 Holiday Lights Decorating Contest**

Mr. Yustick said those chosen in the light decorating contest received their ornament and certificate in the mail. Board members felt the manner in which the event was judged worked well and said judging photos would continue. It was noted that the number of participants was up to 14, which was the most to date. Posting the event on the website and local TV channel helped. The commission will continue the Holiday Light Decorating contest in 2011.

**Olmsted Festival of the Arts**

Mr. Kepperley said the application for the Olmsted Festival of the Arts was designed by Ms. Wenger and they would be mailed out by the end of the week. There will be 460 flyers mailed to artists. Mr. Kepperley encouraged all commission members to attend art shows of all media and if they see an artist work they like get their contact information and he would add them to the list to receive an application. Mr. Kepperley said he may send out a reminder postcard in May. The music side of the festival will be handled by the Bowling Green Arts Enterprise. A committee worked with Bowling Green to create a logo for the festival. They were Chelsea Schumann, Paul Schumann, Kim Wenger and John Kepperley and the timeframe for the logo design was four months. Members all said that they liked the logo chosen for the festival and thanked the committee for all their hard work.

Mr. Kepperley said he was contacted by a non-profit group which would like to know if non-profit groups are waived application fees in the art show. Commissioners said that if an applicant is truly a non-profit group and can show proof they are a 501(c)3 group then they did not object to waiving the application fee. Mr. Wahl asked if there is a limit to the number of spots available and Mr. Kepperley said there are 50 spots but it can be expanded.

The entry fee for the 2011 festival was raised to \$75 per applicant, of which \$10 from each entry will be donated to Arts Enterprise. After costs of the art show the remaining proceeds will go to the Kiwanis Club of North Olmsted. There are two stages that will be booked for music and they would like to have a third stage with ethnic music. Ms. Starner said she would help contact some groups in the Cleveland area that she is familiar with. Mr. Kepperley said North Cost Productions will also be involved and they will use some of their vendors. Last year there were four and the commission is hopeful that they can commit more this year.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **Work Plan and Activity/Event Ideas for 2011**

The commission looked over a list of possible projects which they could promote. Mr. Kepperley said that he was not sure the ParkFest would be held this year as there is no student contact at the high school but he would look into it further. Mr. Yustick said the North Olmsted Garden Club would like to become involved with Homecoming by participating in the parade. Mr. Kepperley suggested that if the city has an evening in the tent perhaps the commission could participate by promoting the Festival of the Arts, Dover Players and the lighting contest. He asked if any of the commissioners were familiar with creating a web page and it was determined that the City's website postings were sufficient. Mr. Yustick said he would like the commission to make a ruling to allow artists on the board to display their art work at City Hall. Mr. Kepperley said that he did not believe there was anything in place which prohibits them from participating as there are no prizes or money involved, however the law director should be asked for a ruling. Mr. Wahl suggested having a competition between the 5th and 6th grade students promoting what Homecoming means to them and the winners would be awarded ribbons.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**


### **Dover Players**

Mrs. Martindale said the first play of the year will be held the first three weekends in April and rehearsals had started. The second performance will be in October and in between the scheduled performances she is still interested in having a musical performance in July at Frostville.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

**Mr. Wahl, moved, seconded by Mr. Kepperley, to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 p.m., which was approved 6-0.**

  
Gerald Yustick, Chair

  
Donna Rote, Clerk of Commission

Approved:

3/2/2011