

**CULTURAL ACTIVITIES COMMISSION  
CITY OF NORTH OLMSTED  
MINUTES FOR SEPTEMBER 7, 2011**

**ROLL CALL**

Chairman Yustick called the meeting to order at 7:15 p.m. at the North Olmsted Library.

Present: Barbara Brown, David Wahl, Gerald Yustick, Nasreen Starner

Absent: Beverle Martindale, Miguel Cora, Barbara Schirhart

Also present: Lisa Nemeth, Northcost Promotions

**REVIEW AND CORRECTION OF MINUTES**

**Ms. Martindale moved, seconded by Mr. Wahl, to approve the July 6, 2011 minutes, which was approved 4-0.**

**NEW BUSINESS**

**City Hall Art Gallery**

The commission received Ms. Brown's application to display art at North Olmsted City Hall and Mr. Yustick advised that once the motion was made the clerk would contact Ms. Brown to set a time and date to have to pieces brought in for display.

Mr. Wahl moved, seconded by Mrs. Starner to approve Barbra Brown's application to display art work at City Hall, which passed 4-0.

**Holiday Lighting Contest**

Mr. Yustick said the commission should start working on the Holiday Lighting contest; more information should be distributed to residents to ensure they are aware of the event. The commission believed the layout of the flyer should be the same as what was used for 2010 only date and times would need to be changed. Ms. Starner suggested each board member pass out flyers throughout their neighborhoods. Ms. Brown suggested placing an ad in the local paper to make residents aware. The commission will set the deadline to submit applications for December 12, 2011 and the December meeting will be moved from December 7<sup>th</sup> to Thursday, December 15, 2011. The clerk will need to arrange moving the meeting date with the library and should include the application in the October packets for the commissions review.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Olmsted Festival of the Arts**

Ms. Nemeth said the festival went well and felt if the rain wouldn't have been such a hindrance it would've been even better. There was a lot of positive feedback from the artists and other participants. She suggested offering those who participated in the event a discount entry fee next

year to encourage them to return. It worked well to have the artists positioned along the walk path as it helped the flow of traffic. A brief discussion ensued regarding having a two day event and Ms. Nemeth said when having a two day event you have to hire security guards to keep things safe. Discussion ensued regarding running time of the festival and possibly starting earlier and staying open longer. Mr. Wahl said the Commission officially turned the event over to the Historical Society therefore the commission will not have a say in any changes made. The commission will support the event but will not be involved with decisions. The farmers market did well and there would've been a better audience for the musicians if not for the rain. A suggestion of having Ms. Nemeth be involved next year was made by Mr. Wahl.

**ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business the meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

  
Gerald Yustick, Chair

  
Donna Rote, Clerk of Commissions

Approved:

November 2, 2011