

Cultural Commission Meeting Minutes October 14, 2008

Present: Dee Moak, Kathy Worcester, Lois Lindell, Neil Connell, Linda Percoski, John Cowles, Janice Steinmetz, Mary Ann Olson

Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes with following changes:

- No changes required.

Financials: (Linda Abbott)

- no financials presented in Linda's absence

Correspondence:

- 2003 letter from Dick Jackson was recently found and passed out for review.

Recognition of Jaci Larabee:

- Nothing done this month. Tree to be planted in front of Piedmont in Spring, 2009. The Larabee family has suggested planting a Magnolia tree.

Photography Show 2009

- Discussed having the photo show be held over two weekends next year. Weekends of April 24-26 and May 1-3.

Annual Appeal:

- No action this month

Art Show, September 21 – 28, 2008: (Neil Connell, Linda Percoski)

- This year's show was successful with artists and attendees coming from all over New England and New York. There were many positive comments about this years show.
- Discussed needed changes for paying artist's their commission and prize money. Discussion to be started with Greg the Treasurer about making the process easier and whether there can be a cutoff of \$600.00 for needing social security numbers and/or government tax forms. Results will be discussed at next meeting.

Concerts & Entertainment: (Committee members: John Cowles, Dee Moak, Mary Ann Olson)

- Mary Ann Olson will join the committee this year.
- Tentative Concerts schedule is Thursday nights July 2, July 9, July 16, July 23, and July 30. John Cowles agreed because it seems much harder to get bands in August than in July.

Cultural Commission Website: (Robert Hall)

- No discussion

Holiday Tea:

- Event will be held December 7, 2008, 2:00 to 4:00 PM. No snow date will be scheduled. Will be held in Piedmont Hall.
- Cost will be \$10.00 and \$5.00 for those 10 and under.
- Drinks served will include Coffee, Tea, Hot Cocoa
- Food will be fancy desserts. Suggested coconut macaroons, date nut bread, breads, cookies, tarts.
- High school jazz choir will be entertainment. They will perform at 3:15 PM for $\frac{1}{2}$ to $\frac{3}{4}$ of an hour.
- Adds must be put into Central News by October 15 (tomorrow). Lois will do this. Kathy W. will send announcements to all other newspapers.
- Janice to make up small publicity poster.
- Janice and Lois will make up a small post card to send to attendees.
- Card tables needed. 8 were confirmed and need to be brought to Piedmont the morning of December 4.
- China will be used along with good quality paper napkins. Everyone should plan on bringing some home to wash afterwards.
- Neil and Linda to set up decorations.
- Chris Anthony and Jeannie Bryanton were nominated to be in charge of the event's organization.

Town Seal: (Committee members: Neil Connell, Linda Percoski, Linda Abbott, Janice Steinmetz)

- All entries were brought to Dave Pinney. It is up to the town whether to accept one of the designs.

Art Scholarship: (Committee members: Neil Connell, Linda Percoski, Robert Hall, Jeannie Bryanton)

- No action or discussion.

Other Discussions:

- Discussed calendar for 2009. Lois took all the data and will put a calendar together for next meeting.
- Discussed adding a painting workshop for mixed media on to our calendar for next year from June 8-10.
- There was a discussion whether the Culural Commission should promote the idea of a Town Choir and see if people want to join.
- We are looking for a volunteer to take on the Secretary duties from John Cowles.

Meeting Adjourned

Next Meeting Monday November 10, 2008, 7:00 PM at Piedmont Hall.