

Somers Cultural Commission Minutes

January 11, 2011

Present: Linda Abbott, Chris Anthony, Neil Connell, Bob Hall, Rich Mazur, Dee Moak, Linda Percoski, John Reeves, Judy Reeves, Janice Steinmetz and Kathy Worcester.

Secretary's Report: The November Minutes were emailed to the members and a copy is on record with the town.

Treasurer's Report: Discussed and accepted as read. Discussed the detail report from the Art show and a profit was generated.

New Member: Judy Reeves was welcomed to the Commission.

Correspondence: Received updated commission appointments from the Town Hall. Several members were extended for a new 2 year term.

Subcommittee Reports:

Holiday Tea

- Cancelled due to a lack of interest
- We will need to begin advertizing earlier this year if we are going to try another Tea.

Photography Show

- Scheduled for April 29th through May 8, 2011
- Location will be Piedmont Hall since we are unable to get the display panels moved to the library.
- We will ask John Cowles for assistance again this year.
- John & Judy Reeves volunteered to assist Janice.

Summer Concerts

- Linda Abbott, Dee Moak and John Reeves will assist Rich Mazur
- Discussed adding an additional concert in June for a total of 6 concerts.
- Discussed a Children's concert in June which will begin early (5:30PM?)
- Will send out letters to various boards to see if there is an interest with someone selling food at the concerts.

New Business

Art Display in Town Hall: The First Selectman asked about having Somers residents having their art displayed in the Town Hall. The town will need to install the hangers first.

Front Sign Issues: The sign track and letters are in poor condition. The track will no longer hold the letters. Judy Reeves volunteered to contact sign vendors for proposals.

Old Business

Establish a Town Band:

- Discussed a proposal from Dee Moak to evaluate the interest in establishing a Town Band.
- Linda Abbott presented a Feasibility Study document listing items to consider.
- Dee will go to the Town Hall and discuss various issues listed in the Feasibility Study.
- The board approved a motion to allow Dee to put a notice in the paper to Solicit interest in a Town Band.
- John Reeves volunteered to work with Dee on this project.

Piedmont Project: New handles need to be installed on the 3 doors. The Electrician has an issue with the wiring for a motion detector light for the front of Piedmont Hall. The electrician will complete the work sometime in the future.

North Central News Contract: The contract will be renewed for 2011. Janice will request an invoice from Gary Caras.

Next meeting: **February 21, 2011 @ 7 pm.**

(The February meeting was changed to the 21st to move it from Valentines Day)

Respectfully submitted,

Bob Hall