

Somers Cultural Commission Minutes

March 14, 2011

Present: Linda Abbott, Nancy Barbosa, Neil Connell, Bob Hall, Rich Mazur, Dee Moak, Linda Percoski, Janice Steinmetz and Kathy Worcester.

Secretary's Report: The minutes were accepted as read.

Treasurer's Report: The treasurer discussed the report. The Commission received two donations for the Summer Concerts. Two lost checks were replaced.

Correspondence: No new correspondence was received

Subcommittee Reports:

Photography Show

- Waiting on a response from John Cowles for the names of potential Judges.
- The announcement for the Photography show has been posted in The Reminder.
- Bob Hall will contact the High School for a student to play music at the Photography Show reception.
- Janice has been receiving calls from Photographers that are interested in submitting their work.
- Flyers will be mailed end of March.

Summer Concerts

- We are starting to receive donations from local businesses
- Still need the signed contracts from the Pioneer Valley Fiddlers and the Windham Concert Band.

Old Business

Art Display in Town Hall:

- They will begin installing the molding this week
- Will purchase hangars for 24 artwork.

Front Sign:

- D&G Graphics in Somers proposed replacing the tracks for the letters for \$200, which is the cheapest option that we have received. The commission agreed to accept this option.

Scholarship:

- A notice of the 2011 Scholarship has been posted in The Reminder
- A notice of the Scholarship has been posted on SomersCultural.com and the updated application was delivered to the Guidance office at the High School.
- Bob Hall will deliver applications to Linda Percoski on April 26th.

Establish a Town Band:

- Dee will contact Rich Szoka, who plays for the South Windsor Band, to obtain potential interest.

Piedmont Projects: It was recommended that a local electrician be contacted to install the wiring for the light. The door handles will be installed at the next meeting.

North Central News Contract: Still waiting on an invoice.

2011 Budget: The budget has not been reviewed by the town.

New Business

Business Presentations: Rich Mazur proposed having local businesses come in to do a presentation that would be of interest to the community. He recommended having a representative of Paper Reeds do a talk on How to Attract Birds. Nancy will work with Rich to develop a program after May 19th.

Linda will send a note to Jim Jenkins with our requirements for the Photography Show and Bird Meeting.

Next meeting: **April 11, 2011 @ 7 pm.**

Respectfully submitted,

Bob Hall