

Somers Cultural Commission
Minutes of June 8, 2015 Meeting

Meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM

Present: J. Hutton, K. Hutton, P. Jones, D. Fraro, G. Lockwood, J. Reed, J. Batchelor, A. Levesque, S. Grabierz, Guest: A. Murphy

Secretary's Report: Minutes from the May 11, 2015 meeting were accepted.

Treasurer's Report: Reviewed and accepted.

Correspondence: Thank you note received from Susan Audette regarding great job done on the Photography Show.

New Business .

Fundraising:

Ann and Dan provided an update on Business contacted/commitments made/money received. There was a good discussion with Commission Members on continuing the momentum. Several members offered additional businesses to contact and agreed to pursue. Information will be passed on to Ann/Dan so they can update their records on who has been contacted.

Next steps:

List of money received/committed as of June 12 will be forwarded to Commission Members. Members agreed that everyone sponsoring the events with a donation of \$50.00 or more should be included on the banner. Jay will work with DG Graphics in designing the banner. Print color or size of print will be considered when identifying level of sponsorship.

Review of By-Laws: The By-Laws were redistributed to Commission Members electronically. Due to time constraints review of the By-Laws has been deferred to the Sept meeting.

Election of Officers: Item tabled until November meeting. Motion made by J. Reed and second by J. Batchelor. Commission Members approved.

Volunteer Subcommittees:

Art show – Linda Abbott – J Batchelor will act as liaison between the Art Committee and Commission
Photograph Show – J. Batchelor
Summer Concerts – S. Grabierz
Piedmont Coffeehouse – A. Levesque
Fundraising – Dan Fraro

Subcommittee meetings: Members agreed that subcommittees should continue to meet during the summer month. Committee Heads will be responsible for coordinating meetings.

Summer Concert Series:

Promotion: Dan/Ann provided 2 drafts of promotional material that could be used for the concerts. Group agreed the 8 ½ X 11 sample folded in half was the best option. Once a more complete list of sponsors is made available Kate will work with DG Graphics in producing the handout

First concert is June 25. Logistics are being finalized. Sandy will contact entertainer this week to confirm number of chairs needed and notify DPW. Sandy has met with DPW on set up of vendors at Kibbe Fuller school. Once vendors have been confirmed a layout will be presented to the DPW for approval. Town Sanitarian has provided guidelines for permits needed. Since there is no electrical hook up outside of Kibbe Fuller, A Levesque has been asked to work with Angelina's on modifying their menu. Other possible vendors include Somersvillage Gift shop, Recreation Dept Sports Team and Gene Pitney Foundation. Sandy will be responsible for putting up concert signs, identifying Commission Members who can collect donations the night of the concert. J Reed will identify one other person to work with her in counting donation money the night of the concert.

Art Show: Activity is moving forward.

Piedmont Percolator: Schedule has been finalized. S. Grabierz will draft intro letter and contract for entertainers and forward to K. Hutton for review/comments.

Photography Show: Nothing new to report.

Adjournment: P. Jones moved that we adjourn the meeting. It was seconded by J. Batchelor. The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 PM.

Next Meeting: September 14, 2015 7:00 PM

Respectfully Submitted
Sandra Grabierz