

CULTURAL ARTS COMMISSION
Minutes
May 9, 2018

Members Present: Sara Moline
Karen Askin
Liliane Blom
Therese Capal
Derrick Douglass
Howard Faulkner
Gary Gill
Tim Nixon

Members Absent: Mary Baltimore
George McHugh

Councilmember Present: Mark Pierzchala

Staff Present: Betty Wisda, Andy Lett

Other: Jesse Marciniak

Sara Moline, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Black-Eyed Susan Room at Rockville City Hall.

Re: Introduction of Applicant for Cultural Arts Commission

Jesse Marciniak describe his arts background and his interest to serve as a member of the Cultural Arts Commission.

Re: Approval of the Minutes

The Cultural Arts Commission unanimously approved the minutes for the April 11, 2018 meeting.

Re: Chairperson's Report

Sara Moline reported the following items.

1. She attended the meeting of Underpass at Park Road Art Project on April 17; the Mad Hatter's Tea Party Brunch on April 22; the meeting of the Culture and Entertainment Plan Committee with Stakeholders on May 3 and the First Friday of Artists and Makers in Rockville on May 4.

Re: Councilmember Report

Councilmember Mark Pierzchala reported on the following items.

1. He attended the meeting of the Culture and Entertainment Plan Committee with Stakeholders on May 3.
2. The Mayor and Council will adopt the Fiscal Year 2019 Operating Budget and Capital Improvements Programs at their meeting on May 14. The operating

budget has \$50,000 allocated for an Arts and Culture in the City of Rockville Study.

3. The Mayor and Council should be making appointments to the Boards and Commissions Task Force at one of their meetings in June.
4. He noted the new location of KID Museum will be on Thompson Avenue in Rockville.

Re: Staff Report

Betty Wisda reported the following items.

1. Under the direction of John Saint Amour, the Rockville Concert Band performed “Music for All Ages: The Wonderful World of Disney” concert to a standing room only audience on April 15 at the F. Scott Fitzgerald Theatre.
2. 83 local, regional, and national artists submitted applications for consideration for the Underpass at Park Road Art Project. The Art Review Panel reviewed and discussed the submissions and selected four finalists to develop site-specific art proposals.
3. The “sold out” Mad Hatter’s Tea Party Brunch was held on April 22 in the Glenview Mansion.
4. The opening reception of the “Rockville Art League Juried Members’ Show” was held on May 6 at the Glenview Mansion Art Gallery. The Rockville Singers performed a concert in the Conservatory that afternoon.
5. Paul Waclo is scheduled from June 4 through June 8 for the fabrication phase of the tree carving art project at Horizon Hill Park. A brief ceremony will be held at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, June 7 at the park.

Re: Task Force/Committee Updates

Art in Public Places

George McHugh, Chairperson, reported that the Art in Public Places Committee met on May 7 at Rockville City Hall to discuss the Public Artwork Condition Assessment. Betty Wisda presented a suggested plan of action for the Public Artwork Condition Assessment that included Deaccession, Restoration and Alternative Solutions. The plan of action was distributed to the Cultural Arts Commissioners. The Art in Public Places Committee recommends that staff implements this plan of action. The Cultural Arts Commissioners unanimously concurred with the committee’s recommendation.

Culture and Entertainment Plan

A meeting of the Culture and Entertainment Committee of Stakeholders was held on May 3 at the Cottage. The committee discussed the preparation of the Request for Proposal (RFP) for the Arts and Culture in the City of Rockville Study. Staff will prepare a draft of the RFP as well as provide samples of RFP’s from other cities to be distributed to the committee as well as the Cultural Arts Commissioners for comments.

Re: Old Business

None.

Re: New Business

None.

Re: Announcements

Members made announcements regarding upcoming events.

Re: Next Meeting

The next meetings will be held at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, June 13 in the Black-Eyed Susan Room at Rockville City Hall.

Re: Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.