



CITY OF DOVER

ARTS COMMISSION – MINUTES

Meeting Type: Regular Meeting
Meeting Location: McConnell Center, Room 323
Meeting Date: Monday, August 7, 2023
Meeting Time: 6:30 p.m.

Attendees: Jane Hamor, Cliff Blake, Julia Kirchmer, Jon Nichols, Kim Hanson, Sarah Davidson, Nancy Vawter, and Yulia Rothenberg

Other: Natasha Kypfer, Zoning Administrator/Assistant City Planner

Excused: Jacqueline Finnerty; Mike Lee; Steve Bargdill; and Linnea Nemeth, City Council Liaison

Meeting called to order at 6:35pm / Land acknowledgment read by N. Vawter.

1. Citizens Forum – Jeff Bernstein, present

2. Approval of June Minutes

N. Vawter motioned to approve. C. Blake seconded. Vote: U/A

3. City Arts Grants – “CAG”

- a. Woodman Museum revised application for \$1,000.00 grant
- b. Aiden Allen revised application with expanded budget for \$2,000.00 grant
 - i. Jane shared support letter for Aiden Allen from Steve Pappajohn. A glowing letter of support including Aiden's prior involvement in the Teen Center and dedication to the upcoming project
 - ii. Nancy will reach out to Aiden and offer her support.
- c. Natasha will follow-up with administrative and financial (W-9 form) support for both grant recipients
- d. Decided to make the CAG a rolling application
 - i. Funded end at the end of the fiscal year (June 30th)
 - ii. Suggested that applicants should:
 1. Write and submit a letter of intent
 2. Present a 10-min presentation to DAC
 3. Allow for a 5-min Q&A at the meeting
 - iii. Suggested DAC should build an FAQ section
- e. Sarah to highlight on Social Media, send information for a press release, and to Councilor Nemeth to share with City Council

4. Project Updates

- a. Literary Laureate – Art Beat article complete this week
- b. Graffiti Committee –
 - i. Wall at Folsom Street has been installed (Community Services): Natasha shared process of the install-Community Services did through job. Recommend that they do all the other wall installs.
 - ii. Received Unified Builders Proposal >\$1000.00 for install at skate park this is over budget
 - iii. DAC would like to be informed when money is being taken from the DAC account for project.
 - iv. ART on Walls: Erin has reached out to North East Color to host an ART Wall Event-
 1. DAC could contribute funds to this event.
- c. 400th Committee – Opening at Art Center went well. Exhibit will be up until August 31; M-F 10-6pm, Sat 10-2pm
- d. Waterfront Committee – no new information
- e. HS Theatre - no new information
- f. Community Trail - no new information
- g. Art Beat - no new information
- h. Skateboard Park – construction is moving forward



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- i. Public Art Projects / Planning – Per Natasha, Art Resolution draft was sent to Legal for review, goal is to have DAC review at our next meeting, in September
- j. Ninja Turtles –
 - i. State marker on Union Street - DHR/DOT prepped Install due to take place ~ August 2023
 - ii. Manhole cover art is in its second draft. All funds are raised!
 - iii. Woodman Institute: Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles Event to be September 16, 2023
 - 1. Outside movie
 - 2. Jetpack Comics, Kendall Pond Pizza to support...looking for more sponsors
 - 3. Cliff will share and connect with Amy at the Library to connect programming
- k. Keep Dover Wild –
 - i. POSITIVE feedback from community and business owners. Continue to make this an annual event
 - ii. Thank you to Katelyn, for idea
 - iii. BIG Thank you to Main Street!!
- l. Racial Equity & Inclusion - no new information

5. Review & Report on 2023 Goals

- a. Marketing: Sarah & Nancy: link Facebook and Instagram
- b. Logo is complete – decision on color needs to be finalized
- c. Need to order Banner for front of pop-up tent and table giveaways (stickers, magnets, etc.)
 - i. The Printing Press (Dover business)
- d. Artists/Event Planner Mixers: John & Yulia generating ideas to connect event planners to promote / communicate about all local activities

6. Unfinished Business

7. Commission's Matters of Interest/Update

- a. Jane found a volunteer to help with DAC follow-up and reaching out to community
- b. Malone sent yarn bombing proposal to City. December-March installation.
- c. Woodman Institute Music Concerts: August 12, 2023 & August 19, 2023 4-6pm
- d. Next meeting date due to LDW is: Monday, September 11, 2023

8. Adjourn

Y. Rothenberg motioned to adjourn at 8:12pm. K. Hanson seconded. Vote: U/A