

DOVER ARTS COMMISSION

REGULAR MEETING

JULY 11, 2011

Present: June Hamor, Kim Schuman, Gail Tanner, Tony McManus

Absent: Bob Walker (not known if Rebecca Proctor has been approved by City Council)

Call to order at 6:35 PM

1. Approval of minutes of previous meeting. Kim noted that in #6 Christine should be Christina. Moved by Tony, seconded by Gail, to accept with correction. So voted.

2. Operating Rules: a version of Operating Rules were reviewed. There was concern expressed that the Commission had previously adopted Rules, and whether or not the Council had adopted the changes that appear in the new version. Tony moved to table to determine status and to discuss with the legal intern at the August meeting. Seconded by Gail. So voted.

3. Discussion of e-mail addresses and access to system; this is still unresolved because of confusion regarding password access. Each member should clarify this personally with the City's IT person.

4. Busking ordinance: postponed for discussion with the intern at the August meeting.

5. Business cards: Kim suggested that we wait to hear whether or not the Council has approved Rebecca and Christina as new members of the Commission. It would be more cost efficient to have everyone included in the printing.

June will check again with the City to have Marybeth and Mellissa's names removed as members on the website.

6. Database: agreement to postpone until Christina is available.

With regard to the inventory of city-owned art items Gail suggested we delay until September because many people are on vacation for the next two months and also because of reduced city office hours. Unanimous agreement to hold off.

7. Outreach: Gail had gone to the York Art Association fabric show, and also mentioned an on-going exhibit at Ben Franklin Crafts in Rochester. Several had seen Tony's photo exhibit at the Dover Library.

Tony mentioned the Sawtelle maritime exhibit at the Discovery Center in Portsmouth.

Jane has not heard final word about funding for the State art's programs, but believes that the DHS grant application is still under consideration.

8. New business: Tony reported that the Summer Sampler at the Woodman Institute Museum has been postponed until some time in the Spring because of the lack of real time to get it organized and also because of a number of competing events.

The Commission then met with Stephanie Moqin and Jake Johnson who described an upcoming outdoors arts project scheduled for August. They have identified three locations in town for murals: the side of the Brick House facing the Orchard St. parking lot; the Allis building on Washington St.; a retaining wall on Portland Ave. more or less opposite the Farm Pub. They have engaged artists to coordinate the work and they are looking for volunteers to assist. Also in the process of locating sponsors, some of

whom would donate materials. The three murals would have a music theme as a means of showcasing Dover as a growing alternative music scene. Stephanie had a brief laptop presentation of proposed designs. The plan would be to have a music event at the Henry Law Pavillion on August 20 as an "opening" for the project, though they anticipate that the murals will be in place by then. There was general discussion on how to advertise the project, how to involve a cross-section of citizens. There was a motion by Tony, seconded by Gail, to support the project. So voted.

Motion to adjourn at 7:40 PM Moved by Gail, seconded by Kim. So voted.

Respectfully

Tony Mcmanus, Secretary pro-tem...