

Newtown Cultural Arts Commission
December 13, 2018

THESE MINUTES ARE SUBJECT TO APPROVAL BY THE NEWTOWN CULTURAL ARTS
COMMISSION AT THE NEXT MEETING.

The Newtown Cultural Arts Commission held a meeting on Thursday, December 13, 2018 at the Municipal Center

Members Present: Laura Lerman, Deborra Zukowski, Andrea Spencer, Jennifer Cebry, Tracy Van Buskirk, Susan Kassirer

Members Absent: Grant Ossendryver, Donna Montelone, Robert Kaiser

Auxiliary Member: None

Public Participation: None

Laura Lerman called the meeting to order at 7:08 pm.

- The minutes of the November 8th meeting were changed to correct the spelling of John Boccuzzi's name, then approved (moved Zukowski, seconded Kassirer)
- Officers' Reports:
 - Laura Lerman attended a recent meeting of the Fairfield County Arts Council in Westport. It was noted at the meeting that Newtown's CAC is very active and successful.
 - Laura Lerman also attended the Fairfield Hills Master Plan Review Committee meeting on 12/5/18, along with representatives of Parks & Rec. The meeting focused on recreational and cultural initiatives for the campus. Items explored included an outdoor sculpture garden, a bandshell, a future performing arts center and needs for organized vs non-organized recreational activities.
- Treasurer's Report:
 - Jen Cebry, on behalf of Treasurer Jim Cebry, reported that the annual budget remains at \$2,500 for 2019. Account balances were reviewed.
 - Jen also reported that the Art Festival had lower revenues (\$40K vs \$58K) due to fewer vendors and food trucks and lower ticket sales. There was an approximate \$10K loss vs a \$13K profit in 2017. We agreed to have a separate meeting for all involved in the Festival, probably in January, to review all aspects of the festival and make a plan for 2019.
 - Two payments were authorized: \$60 to Shiln Ray (moved Van Buskirk, seconded Kassirer) and \$7.25 for postage moved Zukowski, seconded Lerman).
- Public Participation: None
- The Gallery: The current exhibit is the Flagpole Photographers. A new artist will be displayed in January.
- Showcase at the Library: The current display is by the Southern Connecticut Polymer Clay Guild. In January will be a display re "Learn Something New"
- Website: No report
- Other Business: None

There being no further business, it was moved (Zukowski), seconded (Cebry) and voted to adjourn the meeting at 8:12 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Tracy Van Buskirk

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All meetings to be held at the Municipal Center unless otherwise noted.

2019 NCAC Meeting Schedule

January 10
February 14
March 14
April 11
May 9
June 13
July 11
August 8
Sept 12
October 10
November 14
December 12
January 9, 2020