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Town of Vernon
Vernon Arts Commission
Special Meeting
Minutes
Tuesday, 06/09/15
Vernon Community Arts Center

Call to Order

7:03 pm – Special Meeting of the Vernon Arts Commission called to order by Sandra Justin.

Attendance

Sandra Justin, Commissioner / Acting Chair

Lisa Ouellette, Commissioner / Treasurer

Virginia Rogala, Commissioner

Thomas DiDio – Guest (representing the Rockville Downtown Association)

Business

- **Proposal to revise By-Laws Membership to include alternate Commissioners with voting privileges.** Sandra Justin presented the proposed new wording for the membership section in the VAC By-Laws. Motion by Sandra Justin / Seconded by Lisa Ouellette to accept the new wording to add Alternate Commissioners to the VAC membership.
Unanimously approved by Justin, Ouellette, Rogala.
- **Review of FY 15 Budget remaining funds.**
Performers Budget = \$325. Advertising Budget = \$272.70.
- **Allocation of FY 15 Budget remaining funds.** Motion by Sandra Justin / Seconded by Virginia Rogala to allocate up to \$273 to the Vernon Community Arts Center as reimbursement for advertising purchased by the VCAC through 06/30/15.
Unanimously approved by Justin, Ouellette, Rogala.
- **National Night Out – activity and funding for public activity.** Thomas DiDio was present to offer insight into what activity (Art Truck or Public Art Mural) would best fit into this year's National Night Out in downtown Rockville on Tuesday 08/04/15. After a discussion it was decided to pursue the Public Art Mural idea – inviting the public to create a mural on one section of the Citizen's Block storefront / sidewalk. The mural will be designed by Jeffrey Slobodien, who will also be responsible for preparing the site and facilitating the public art activity during the 08/04/15 National Night Out. Motion by Virginia Rogala / Seconded by Lisa Ouellette to allocate \$325 to hire Jeffrey Slobodien to create a design for the storefront / sidewalk mural with a 06/30/15 deadline.
Unanimously approved by Justin, Ouellette, Rogala.
- **Commissioners – Resignations / New Applications.** Virginia Rogala will submit her resignation to Mayor Champagne. Vincent Bologna has submitted his application to become a VAC commissioner. Lisa Ouellette will follow up with Mayor Champagne, Diane Wheelock, and John Ward to make certain that Vincent Bologna's application is on the agenda during the next Town Council Meeting. Anne Morency has decided not to pursue membership as a VAC commissioner.
- **FVAC \$500 Scholarship.** The \$500 scholarship was presented to Erin Gonyeau at Rockville High School's Class of 2015 Senior Scholarship and Awards Evening on 06/04/15. Donna Barnas took care of writing / submitting an article for the newspapers about the FVAC scholarship.
- **By-Laws Revision – additional sections.** No action or discussion took place.

Business (continued)

- **Suggestions for future funding.** No action or discussion took place.
- **2015 – 16 Budget.** Performers = \$6,000
Advertising = \$800
Supplies / Materials = \$40
- **2015 – 16 Activities**
 - National Night Out = Lisa Ouellette will contact Mayor Champagne and Town Administrator John Ward to request permission to use one section of the Citizen's Block to the Public Art Mural Project activity on 08/04/15.
 - Rails-to-Trails Mural Project = Sandra Justin gave an update on this project as well as the VCMS Courtyard Mural Project.

Establish meeting date / time for July 2015 VAC Meeting

- Regular Monday 07/06/15 = Canceled due to lack of quorum.
- Special Meeting = Monday 07/20/15 – 7 pm – Vernon Community Arts Center
- Both the regular July 2015 meeting cancellation and the calling of the 07/20/15 Special Meeting will be posted in the Vernon Town Clerk's Office per FOI guidelines.

Adjournment

8:15 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,



Lisa Ouellette, VAC Commissioner / Treasurer
Acting Secretary for 06/09/15 VAC Special Meeting