

Town of Vernon
Vernon Arts Commission
Minutes
Monday, 05/04/15
Vernon Community Arts Center

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Call to Order

7:10 pm – regular 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
Donna Barnas, Associate Commissioner
Vincent Bologna – Guest
Ann Morency - Guest
Joan Sonnanburg, Director Vernon Community Arts Center – Guest

Minutes from previous meetings

- 03/19/15 Special Meeting minutes = *Reviewed/Approved by Justin and Ouellette. Rogala abstained.*
- 04/09/15 Special Meeting minutes = No business conducted at this meeting due to lack of quorum. Minutes were submitted, however the date was incorrect (not 04/16/15). Lisa Ouellette will resubmit the 04/09/15 minutes to the Vernon Town Clerk's Office reflecting the correct date. *Approved by Justin and Ouellette. Rogala abstained.*

Treasurer's Report *Treasurers Report Reviewed/Approved by Justin, Ouellette, Rogala.*

- Town of Vernon Account balances
 - Performers = \$850.00
 - Advertising = \$421.07
- Friends of the Vernon Arts Commission bank account (First Niagara) = \$2,920.85

Old Business

- **Vernon Center Middle School mural project.** This project is approved for funding (\$500 from Town Account + \$350 from FVAC Account), however Treasurer, Lisa Ouellette is still waiting for receipts and documentation. Sandra Justin will follow up with VCMS Art Teacher, Sherri Nevins and artist Jeff Slobodien.
- **National Night Out.** Two ideas will be researched for presentation/discussion at the June meeting:
 - Chalk / Mural Artist (Lisa Ouellette)
 - Art Van (Ann Morency)
- **Rails to Trails Mural Project.** Sandra Justin will follow up with artist Jeff Slobodien for a status report.
- **FVAC \$500 Scholarship.** Motion by Sandra Justin to award \$500 from the Friends of the Vernon Arts Commission bank account to fund a scholarship to one Rockville High School senior on June 4th at the Class of 2015 Senior Scholarship and Awards Evening. *Approved by Justin, Ouellette, Rogala.* Donna Barnas will write an article for the Reminder and Journal Inquirer about this award for publication after the June 4th awards ceremony.
- **By-Laws.** Lisa Ouellette will write a draft proposing a revision of the membership segment in the By-Laws. Proposal = addition of alternate commissioners with voting privileges when a commissioner is absent from a meeting. Draft to be presented / discussed / acted on during June meeting.

New Business

- Vernon Community Arts Center (VCAC) funding request for 3rd Anniversary Gala = \$525 (performance) + \$125 (advertising).
 - Motion to discuss Sandra Justin / second Lisa Ouellette.
Approved Justin, Ouellette, Rogala. Discussion ensued.
VCAC Director, Joan Sonnanburg available to address questions.
 - Motion to end discussion Sandra Justin / second Lisa Ouellette.
Approved Justin, Ouellette, Rogala.
 - Motion by Sandra Justin / second Lisa Ouellette to approve funding to VCAC for the 3rd Anniversary Gala on Saturday 06/20/15 as follows:
\$525 to fund Vernon musicians Judy Handler and Mark Levesque.
\$125 to support advertising the 06/20/15 3rd Anniversary Gala.
Approved by Justin, Ouellette, Rogala.

Next Meeting

- Regular Monday 06/01/15 = Canceled due to lack of quorum.
- Special Meeting = Thursday 06/09/15 – 7 pm – Vernon Community Arts Center
- Both the regular June 2015 meeting cancellation and the calling of the 06/09/15 Special Meeting will be posted in the Vernon Town Clerk's Office per FOI guidelines.

Adjournment

Approximately 8:30 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,



Lisa Ouellette, VAC Commissioner / Treasurer
Acting Secretary for 05/04/15 VAC Meeting