

Art & Culture Commission of Lemont

Minutes from September 13, 2016

In attendance: Mona Parry
Emily J. B. Christian
Nick Greanias

Ron Stapleton
Susan M. Bruce

Guests: Sue Roy and Randy Vick

Absent: Joe Perri

Old Business

The August minutes were accepted by Nick and seconded by Emily. Sue has not received any response from the village when requesting the balances of our accounts. Ron stated that Ted is no longer with the Village.

Mona has not received any response from Dave Walters about the repayment of the loan to Night Blue Theater. Ron was asked to obtain Village assistance in the matter. Mona will supply Ron with a copy of the agreement.

The commission is still short two commissioners. There was a nice article in the Suburban Life on August 12th but there has not been any response.

The new laptop from the Knies family needs to be set up. The old files need to be transferred to the new laptop.

Nick is attempting to form a council to organize activities from various organizations in the community.

The fire inspection required a few improvements including the front door access. The door continues to need adjustment as it is difficult to open causing the handle to be very loose. Ron will meet with the inspector possibly Thursday, September 22.

On September 3, Mona and Sue worked at Heritage Fest from 12:45 to 7 p.m. Nick joined late afternoon. They provided a sand project for the children.

Bob Parry and Randy Vick installed the new hanging system for the exhibits. Sue and Mona cleaned, installed, and reorganized the Center for our reopening. They were unable to get to the floor. Nick offered to vacuum and clean the floor.

Committee Reports

Village Liaison – Ron Stapleton *corporation Counsel Deputy Administrator*
Ron stated that there is a new administrator position at the Village as of October 4th.

Volunteer Coordinator/Business Liaison – Emily J. B. Christian
No new information.

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Art Organization – Mona Parry

On Wednesday, September 21, the guild is hosting David Becker with a watercolor demonstration.

School Liaison – Mona Parry

No new information.

Fundraising – Nick Greanias

March 18 is the first choice for a “Gala” event at the Lithuanian Center.

Social Media – Someone is updating Facebook.

Gallery Exhibits

- September 9 – October 30th “Lemont: Then and Now” in collaboration with the Lemont Historical Society. This is the 6th anniversary show of the Lemont Center for the Arts. Reception is Friday, September 16th from 6:30 - 9:00 p.m. Sue will obtain the treats for the reception and Randy will supply the centerpiece.
- November 4th through December 18th will be the Holiday Artists Bazaar. Mona will send out a call to artists. Sue and Mona will install.

New Business

During our reception, the “Art & Soul” Art Walk will be occurring in downtown Lemont. Mona will be at the Rudy Kling mural and Rob Moriarty will be at the Quarry Strike mural.

Mona will ask Beth Grushkin if she could provide an art activity for the children during October which is Illinois Arts Month.

The meeting was adjourned by Mona at 8:01 p.m. The next meeting is October 11, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by S. M. Bruce.

S. M. Bruce