

Art & Culture Commission of Lemont

Minutes from August 8, 2017

In attendance: Ron Stapleton, Mona Parry, Emily J.B. Christian, Leslie Jenner, Susan Hamdan, and S. M. Bruce

Absent: Nick Greanis *Greanis, NAB.*

Guests: Randy Vick and Linda Molitor

Old Business

The minutes from July were reviewed and accepted as written by Emily and seconded by Leslie. The June minutes are still locked into the old laptop. Sue will present them once a new laptop is purchased and the files transferred. Sue reported that the accumulated account has a balance of \$36,317.89. There was no report on the budget account as it was not sent from Village Hall.

Linda will contact Nick about the potential Lemont Area Arts Council.

Susan will take over obtaining estimates for UV protection film for the Center.

Leslie has not decided on a printer and laptop for Sue to purchase for the Center.

Committee Reports

Village – Ron stated that there is a proposal for converting the old Wend's Tap. Leslie and Ron got the OPEN sign repaired.

Volunteer Coordinator – Emily was looking for someone to volunteer all day on Saturday, August 26, 2017 from 10 – 4:00 p.m. Sue Bruce will do it.

Art Organizations – Mona reported that Mary Carnahan is currently exhibiting with the Illinois State Exhibit. TAGOL has an interesting show upstairs at the Gaylord Building. The Lemont Art Guild may be holding a potluck picnic here at the Center on Thursday, August 31<sup>st</sup>. Mona stated that The Guild will resume their meetings on Wednesday, September 13<sup>th</sup>. No new information is available as school liaison. *20 NAB.*

Fundraising – Mona asked the commissioners to consider the next venture for fundraising. Some topics that were brainstormed were an art festival and art lectures

Social Media – Leslie reported that the Chicago Artists' Resource has been a good connection. Word Press has a link to facebook.

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### Gallery Exhibits

“RE” Exhibit is on display until September 17<sup>th</sup>. The reception was attended by about 30 people.

September 22 – November 5 is a one man show. The featured artist is Erik Ohrn

November 10 – December 23<sup>rd</sup> will be the annual “Holiday Bazaar.”

January 12 – February 25<sup>th</sup> is the Lemont Artists Guild anniversary show, “All Things Silver.” It is open to Guild members only.

### New Business

Two potential candidates for the commission were invited to tonight’s meeting. An application has to be completed for Village Hall.

Linda will be a liaison with the village in revisiting the 501c3. The commissioners have questions about:

What assistance will the Village supply? Set-up? Fees?

How would that impact the relationship with the Village including, but not limited to utilities, insurance?

What other professionals would need to be involved and how often? Lawyer? Accountant?

Sue and Mona will volunteer their time for Heritage Fest. They will supply the materials for the 3-7:00p.m. art activity.

When the commissioners purchase items for the Center, they are responsible to complete the reimbursement form and getting it to the Village. Village Hall gets one copy and Sue is given a copy for our records.

There was a question about the two separate Art organizations. The discussion wondered if a merge may be considered. Mona will contact the LAG board to see if that would be something of interest.

Leslie stated that the intern application and process should be updated. The commissioners would complete an interview at the meeting. She will work on that.

The meeting adjourned at 8:37 p.m. The next meeting is Tuesday, September 12, 2017

Respectfully submitted by S. M. Bruce

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