

## Art & Culture Commission of Lemont

### Minutes from April 14, 2015

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

Ron Stapleton  
Susan M. Bruce

Absent: Eric Hawrysz and Joe Perri      Guests: Randy Vick and Stephanie Ballard

#### Old Business

The March minutes were accepted by Nick and seconded by Emily. The budget account has \$0 and the contribution account has \$30,728.44.

The Strategic Planning meeting was held on March 21<sup>st</sup> 12-4 p.m. A report from Joe Perri is forthcoming.

Stephanie Ballard addressed the commission. She is interested in a summer internship.

The Spring Gift Shop has had some sales.

#### Committee Reports

Village Liaison – Ron Stapleton

May 11 Ron be sworn in for another term as trustee. The commission will be receiving \$2500 from the Village for the new fiscal year that will begin on May 1st. The Mayor's Drive for Charity is on April 27<sup>th</sup>. The *Vault* is under new ownership.

Volunteer Coordinator/Business Liaison – Emily J. B. Christian

Please fill in your volunteer days for the next month.

Art Organizations

Visual – Mona Parry

The guild is utilizing the Homer Library for their meeting as the library is financially assisting with the presenters' fees. The next meeting will have a pastel artist presenting.

Performing – Eric Hawrysz

School Liaison – Mona Parry

Mona is coordinating the Target Grant "Art Explore" with Oakwood and River Valley Schools. There will 50 classes. \$700 worth of supplies has been purchased. She will complete the surveys with the students.

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#### Fundraising – Nick Greanias

Nick mentioned a possible fundraising event for the Midsummer's Night Eve, but it is in June and we may not have enough time for planning this year. He is investigating the Lithuanian Center for a Gala that includes art and performance.

#### Grants – open

Artist of the Month – April was Mary Ann Nowak. May will be Cyn O'Brien. Jean Dorrance may be interested.

Social Media – Eric updates WordPress and Facebook.

#### Gallery Exhibits

- Old Quarry will exhibit student work from April 17 – May 9<sup>th</sup>. The reception is scheduled for Tuesday, May 5<sup>th</sup>
- Lemont High School will exhibit from May 13<sup>th</sup> – June 7<sup>th</sup>. The reception will be held on Tuesday, May 13<sup>th</sup>.
- Photographer, Gene Mark, will be exhibiting June 12<sup>th</sup> – July 19<sup>th</sup>.
- Timberline Knolls will be July 24 – August 30<sup>th</sup>.
- The 5<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Exhibit will be September 11 – November 1<sup>st</sup>.
- Holiday Artist's Bazarre will be November 6<sup>th</sup> – December 20<sup>th</sup>.

#### New Business

After discussion, the commissioner decided not to participate in the Farmer's Market.

Cyn O'Brien is instructing an Art Party on Saturday, April 18<sup>th</sup> from 10-12 with watercolors.

The meeting was adjourned by Mona at 8:28 p.m. Sue and Nick made the motion. The next meeting is May 12 at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by S. M. Bruce.