

Art & Culture Commission of Lemont

July 14, 2015

Minutes from June 9, 2015

In attendance:

Mona Parry

Ron Stapleton

Emily J.B Christian

Nick Grenias

Eric Hawrysz

Stephanie Ballard

Old Business

The June minutes were accepted as corrected by Nick and seconded by Emily. The contribution balance is \$28,809.95 and the budget account has \$0.

Gift shop will continue to remain open throughout the summer. Currently added another \$196.28.

Stephanie Ballard, intern for Elmhurst College continues to assist Nick with planning our 5<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Gala and taking over social media responsibilities.

Heritage Fest took place on July 11<sup>th</sup> from 4-8 p.m. Despite the rain, we managed to draw interests to families.

Committee Report

Village Liaison- Ron Stapleton

Mayor's Drive for Charity

Art Organizations-

Eric stated that they were in the middle of Les Miserable and it is going well.

Volunteer and Business Coordinator- Emily Christian

Stephanie is still working the Center during the summer hours, but will be out of town July 17, 18, and 19. Commissioners were asked to please fill upcoming dates.

Fundraising- Nick talked about the 5<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Gala at the Lithuanian Gallery. The reception would be October 17<sup>th</sup>, but the exhibit would be installed from October 12<sup>th</sup>

through the 24<sup>th</sup>. We discussed about coming up with a proposed budget for the Gala. We still need to put a call out for artists, find a judge because it will be a juried show, prizes, and a set price on tickets. Nick also included that the Lemont band students will be out of town that weekend, therefore needing to find musicians.

Grants- No report

School Liaison- Mona stated there is no report with school being out.

Artist of the Month- Jean Dorrance's work was taken down with the new artist of the Month being Ellen Vestergaard. It will be a requirement for the featured artist to volunteer once during the month.

Social Media-Eric informed the commissioners that he will be stepping down as a commissioner. He has been updating Word Press and Facebook about our events. Eric and Stephanie agreed on exchanging information so that she can take over posting events on social medias.

#### Gallery Exhibits

Gene Mark will continue to show her photography from June 12<sup>th</sup>- July 19<sup>th</sup>. Mona, Sue, and possibly Stephanie will takedown.

Timberline Knolls will exhibit from July 24<sup>th</sup> through August 30<sup>th</sup>. The reception will be Friday, July 31<sup>st</sup> 5-7p.m. It will be a paid exhibition fee of \$125.

The 5<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Exhibit is tentatively scheduled for September 11<sup>th</sup> through November 1<sup>st</sup>.

The LCA will be closed Labor Day weekend.

The Holiday Artists Bazaar will be from November 6<sup>th</sup> through December 20<sup>th</sup>.

#### New Business

We continue to figure out adding two new commissioners to the commission.

Continued to discuss how Mona would like to step down as chairperson. After discussion, the commissioners want to reorganize the responsibilities into bundles. A tasks sheet was given with individuals responsibilities and places that still need to be filled.

The next meeting is scheduled for August 11, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Stephanie Ballard.

