

Cultural Commission Meeting Minutes

June 9, 2008

Present: Dee Moak, Linda Abbott, Kathy Worcester, Lois Lindell, Neil Connell, Linda Percoski, Jeannie Bryanton

Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes with following changes:

- No changes required.

Financials: (Linda Abbott)

- received \$500.00 check
- had \$100.00 expense
- Linda noted that for any contract or money given out over \$600 we need social security numbers.

Correspondence:

- Received thank you note for Antique Show.
- Receive thank you note from Amber Pascoe

Recognition of Jaci Larabee:

- Decided to dedicate the July 17th Summer Concert for Jaci
- Tree plans narrowed down. The Larabee family suggests planting a Magnolia tree in the Spring of 2009 due to having the right season for planting.

Photography Show 2009

- No discussion

Annual Appeal:

- A letter to the community about upcoming events will be sent (Concerts, Art Show, and Tea. A small statement at the bottom will state that "All Contributions are Welcome."

Art Show, September 21 – 28, 2008: (Neil Connell, Linda Percoski)

- No discussion

Concerts & Entertainment: (Committee members: John Cowles, Dee Moak, Rob Hall)

- Dee Moak will meet bands before concerts as in previous years

- Concerts are:
 - July 10th, Buddy Halpin “Memories,” Big Band Swing, Gene Pitney Mem.
 - John Cowles will introduce
 - there will be two speakers at the Buddy Halpin concert to speak about Gene Pitney.
 - July 17th, Windham Concert Band, Marches, Musicals, Jazz, 30’s & 40’s, Jaci Larabee Memorial, Lois Lindell to introduce
 - July 24th, Amy Gallatin, Country Bluegrass & Americana, Linda Abbott to introduce
 - July 31st, Flamingo, Big Band Jazz, Janice Steinmetz to introduce
 - August 7th, Digger Steven’s Band, 30’s, 40’s & 50’s Rhythm & Blues, Dee Moak to introduce

Cultural Commission Website: (Robert Hall)

- No discussion

Holiday Tea:

- No discussion.

Town Seal: (Committee members: Neil Connell, Linda Percoski, Linda Abbott, Janice Steinmetz)

- Neil brought entries for us to review.
- The commission will narrow down the choices to 3 and have First Selectman make final decision.

Art Scholarship: (Committee members: Neil Connell, Linda Percoski, Robert Hall, Jeannie Bryanton)

- Scholarship was awarded

Other Discussions:

- Holiday Tea 2008: Suggestions to cancel tea or change the format to save money. Financially a rough time for everyone due to the economy. Decision tabled until September meeting
- Summer schedule: No meeting in July or August, reconvene in September.
- Lois would like to step down as Chair of the Cultural Commission in September. Discussion will be tabled until all of the members are present, September meeting.
- Artist exhibition is planned in October at Piedmont for a visiting artist from Poland.

Meeting Adjourned

Next Meeting Monday September 8, 2008, 7:00 PM at Piedmont Hall.