

**Cultural Commission Meeting Minutes**  
**April 13, 2009**

Present: Lois Lindell, John Cowles, Kathy Worcester , Janice Steinmetz, Robert Hall,  
Dee Moak

Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes with following changes:

- No changes required.

Financials: (Linda Abbott)

- Lois presented financials for Linda. They were accepted.

Correspondence:

- None

Recognition of Jaci Larabee:

- Invitations sent out, tree set for delivery.
- Lois, Barry Cass, Selectman Kathy Devlin to speak

Photography Show 2009

- Settled on who would bring food for opening night
- John to continue working on getting entertainment for opening night.
- Janice, John, and Jeannie to do set up
- Lois took charge of getting sitters lined up.
- Cost of band higher than last year. John has price list.

Annual Appeal:

- No discussion.

Art Show: (Neil Connell, Linda Percoski)

- No discussion

Concerts & Entertainment: (Committee members: John Cowles, Dee Moak, Mary Ann Olsen)

- Concerts schedule is Thursday nights July 2, July 9, July 16, July 23, and July 30.
  - Concerts setup are:
    - July 2: Amy Gallatin: Country, Bluegrass, Americana
    - July 9: Windham Concert Band: Marches, Musical, Medleys
    - July 16: Resurrection Airmen Band: "Real Country Done Right"
    - July 24: Children's Concert, Brian Gillie 5:30-6:30 PM  
Riverboat Ramblers (John Banker), New Orleans Jazz
    - July 31: Pioneer Valley Fiddlers: Bluegrass

- Only group that has not sent back contract is Pioneer Valley Fiddlers. John to call them.

Cultural Commission Website: (Robert Hall)

- Mary Elizabeth Maclauchlan came in to discuss what she could do for the website.
- Mary will come in with proposed website pages next meeting. She suggests a Spring-Summer-Winter-Fall theme based on time of year. Recommends the background have a more “cultural” feel to it. Perhaps marble background with vines as border.
- Mary would recommend maintaining website on her own computer. She would do this at no charge.

Holiday Tea:

- No discussion.

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

- Bob delivered forms to office last month with April 27 deadline.
- School needs name of winner by May 11 ceremony in June.

2010 Garden Tour: (Committee members: TBD)

- Discussion tabled until next month.
- Previous discussion included:
  - Need group to visit gardens this year and book for 2010.
  - Dee to talk to Roulier about the use of Worthington Pond. Last time we did this we sold lunch boxes and had art pieces for sale there. Also did supper the night before.
  - Committee met almost every week for a year to plan. Previous garden show was run in July. Toured 9-10 gardens.

New Business / Other Discussions:

- An updated contact list is requested.
- Election of Officers will be on June 8, 2009: Need new Chairperson and Secretary. Linda was not there to discuss whether she would like to continue as chair.

Meeting Adjourned

Next Meeting Monday May 11, 2009, 7:00 PM at Piedmont Hall.