SOMERS CULTURAL COMMISSION MINUTES FOR MAY 6, 2019 SPECIAL MEETING

Ann L. CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AT 7PM

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: S.Grabierz, P. Jones, A. Levesque, G. Tishler, P. Bachetti, D. Cutter, B. Guimond, G. Lockwood

HONORARY MEMBERS: A. Murphy, B. Hall

SECRETARY'S REPORT: There were 2 corrections. Under Alternative Location:the committee decided to have one (meeting)(changed to event)....

Under 2019 Sponsorship Campaign: Dann misspelled, should be Dan.

Ginny made a motion to accept the corrected minutes and Pat B. 2nd. Approved unanimously CORRESPONDENCE: none

TREASURER'S REPORT: Sandy handed out a report as of April 30, 2019. There was an emergency expenditure of \$162. for a small refrigerator purchased from PC Richards. There was an expenditure of \$88 for new and updated road signs. No bills.

Dot made a motion to accept the report and Gail 2nd. Approved unanimously. OLD BUSINESS

- 1. Publicity Update: Ginny reported that flyers have been distributed to all neighboring towns, newspapers and the internet as well as various places in Somers.
- 2. April coffeehouse update: Ann L. reported attendance was maximum at 86 with the over-flow guests sitting outdoors. It was a lively, excellent show with \$182. collected.
- 3. 2019 scholarship: Bob Hall reported that the 1st winner was disqualified due to a residency clause in our by-laws that prohibited a non-Somers resident from eligibility. The 2nd choice applicant became the winner of the 2019 Somers Cultural Commission Scholarship. A discussion on the residency rule will be taken up next year with the commission.
- 4. Update on Photo Show: Sandy reported a banner year with 81 entries and 28 photographers. \$1370 was received in entry fees. A sitter schedule was passed around to fill in the blanks. A sign up sheet was passed to members to provide treats for the reception on May 11, 2019.
- 5. Update Fall Scarecrow Contest: Donna made a written report on the progress of the committee. Everything is going well. A budget will be present at our June meeting. A suggestion was made to have a scarecrow at the gazebo during our summer concerts. The committee will revisit this suggestion.
- 6. Deadline "Connections" summer issue is July 8. Ann L. reported that the Art Show, the Scarecrow Contest, the first fall Coffeehouse show will be publicized as well as the winners of our Spring Photography Show.
- 7. Update 2019 Sponsorship Campaign: Ann M. reported that so far we have reached

8. 3/4th's of our goal. There are several 2018 sponsors that have not renewed and members of the commission have agreed to make contact with these sponsors for their 2019 renewal.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Easter Sunday Coffeehouse 2020: Pat J. made a motion to change the Easter Sunday date, April 12, 2020 to the first Sunday April 5, 2020. Dot 2nd and it was unanimously approved. Ann L. will contact KC Sisters or Jim Lenn as the entertainment for that date.

Bev made a motion adjourn the meeting at 8pm and Pat B. 2nd. Approved Unanimously.

The next regular scheduled meeting is June 10, 2019 at 7pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia A. Jones

Minutes are not official until approved at a subsequent meeting.