

Ballston Spa Committee on the Arts

Minutes 11/2/2022

Call to Order - 7:01

Pledge to the Flag

Attendance/Introductions - Cathy Hackert, Ashley Bush, Katie Tiedemann, Trustee Ben Baskin, Sander Bonviel, Trustee Bernadette VanDeinse-Perez, Anne Menkens, kate van buren

Approval of the 10/19/22 minutes - Approved, no updates.

Old Business/Projects

Action item review - documented **under** separate cover

Mural - The Arts Committee is no longer pursuing creation of a mural in 2022. A scope change request has been filed with Saratoga Arts to re-purpose the \$5k funding to support the previously approved holiday project. The change is under review by Saratoga Arts.

The Library is still interested in a Village mural to be considered alongside the renovations to the Library; to be discussed with the Library Trustees at an upcoming meeting.

Discussion: While the committee may/may not choose to pursue its own art projects in the future; it was agreed that the committee should continue to recruit and pursue artists to apply for public art projects (sponsored by the Committee/Village) in alignment with our vision for art in village spaces.

Planter Art - Discussion: winter storage; preferred storage would be at BACC with the 2 BACC planters. As a 2nd option, Ashley offered her home/garage.

Banners - Discussion: the committee will seek to create a generic set of village banners to adorn the street poles when others are removed.

Little Free Crafting library - on hold.

Sounds of Summer - hold for 2023 scheduling.

Website/Social Media - calendar format complete. Subscribers on email distribution list. Email newsletter drafted for committee review.

New Business

Application review (including those seeking 2023 SA funding)- reviewed email request from H. Fernau. Requested additional information regarding value to the Village.

Charter vote - Unanimous approval. To be forwarded to the Village for review.

Project ideas for Front Street (March - May, 2023) - tabled

Budget review - 1 last planter check received and forwarded to Village; no additional expenditures or income.

Chair's report - no additional.

Other:

- Corina Oberai has resigned her position on the Committee on the Arts, effective immediately. The committee will begin a search for a successor.
- Discussion to get a new, artistic, Community Bulletin Board. Rotary started the process. Committee will reach out to Rotary for an update.

Reminders:

Winter meeting schedule: 11/16, 12/7, ~~12/21~~, 1/4, 1/18

Upcoming Village Board meeting on 11/14 - Arts Committee items for review:

- Charter amendment (revision and final copies)
- BSBPA solicitation (awaiting Dana's review)
- ~~Updated 2022 mural information (awaiting Library trustee review)~~
- ~~Little Free Crafting Library (awaiting Library trustee review)~~

Upcoming Village Board meeting on 12/7 - Arts Committee items for review:

- Applications for 2023 projects seeking fiscal sponsorship from the Village

Public Comment

- **Discussed artist desire to** have ‘maker’ space and ‘gallery’ space in the Village. Conversation to be continued.

Next Meeting

Next meeting – November 16

7 pm

@ Library Community Room

Adjourn - 8:22

Ballston Spa Committee on the Arts - Mission

To foster and advance artistic and creative efforts in the Village’s public spaces in order to enrich and enhance the quality of life in our community.