

**Minutes of the Jasper Community Arts Commission  
City of Jasper, Indiana  
September 2, 2014**

The regular meeting of the Jasper Community Arts Commission was held at 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday, September 2, 2014, in the Council Chambers at City Hall. Roll call was held with the following  
**Commission Members Present:** Mike Jones, Robin Norris, Pat Thyen, Gary Moeller, Kyle Rupert, Beth Seidl, Selena Vonderheide, Becky Hickman and Becky Beckman. **Commission Members Absent:** Sherry Monesmith and Linda Kahle. **Staff Members Present:** Kit Miracle, Doreen Lechner, Karen Grewe, Corina Mack, Emily Colucci and Donna Schepers. **City Attorney:** Renee Kabrick. **Guests in attendance:** Herald Reporter Candy Neal and WITZ's Jim O'Neal. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**Selena Vonderheide** moved to approve the minutes of the August meeting. **Beth Seidl** seconded. Motion passed 9-0.

**City Financial Statement**

**Gary Moeller** moved to approve the claims and financial statement as presented. **Pat Thyen** seconded. Motion passed 9-0.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Director's Report/Performing Arts**

Kit reported.

- This year's budget is within \$600 of the budget at this time last year.
- The *Nitty Gritty Dirt Band* performance is sold out.
- The *President's Marine Band* tickets are going well. Approximately 2800 tickets have been given out to date.
- Submitted National Endowment for the Arts grant.
- Received the remaining money from the IN Arts Commission grant.
- Received a check from Friends of the Arts for last year's grant.

**Building and Structure Report**

Doreen reported.

- Chiller is working well.
- The new Technical Asst. is working well. He is available during the day. They have been able to accomplish things that have been on a to-do list for several years.

**Education Report**

Donna reported.

- Made visits to the Superintendent and the Principals for the upcoming season. Donna will continue to work with Principals on the details.
- Wade Baker will present a workshop at JHS.
- The *President's Marine Band* will be conducting a master class. Volunteers are needed to assist with the class. Please call if interested in helping.
- *Sean Layne* will be here October 2 & 3 to conduct workshops for teachers and parents.

**Visual Arts Report**

Emily reported.

- The fall workshop class schedule is available. Fourteen art classes are being offered this fall for adults and students.

- The Juried Art Show is currently hanging in the gallery. It is a good show with a lot of variety in the art work. Emily invited everyone to come out and view the artwork.

### **Project Coordinator Report**

Corina reported.

- Corina is working on promotion items for the new season and the *President's Marine Band* on social media and other outlets.
- Special Events Committee will meet this month to begin planning for next season, which is the Arts Center's 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary.
- Corina and Emily will be at the Ferdinand Folk Fest promoting our upcoming season and events.

### **Old Business**

None

### **New Business**

- Mike brought up a suggestion for Astra Theatre funding from the Dubois County Community Foundation. The DCCF is thinking of setting up an endowment which could help fund operations for the Astra Theatre. The information was distributed to the board.
- Discussion ensued about acquisition of and funding options for the Astra Theatre, and what the Jasper Community Arts Commission's position and recommendations are for the Astra. **Gary Moeller** moved the JCAC recommend to the City Council that the City purchase the Astra to be utilized by the Jasper Community Arts. This falls in line with the strategic plan developed by the JCAC. **Robin Norris** seconded. Motion passed 9-0.
- Mike mentioned attendance at the JCAC meetings in general and reminded the board members of the importance of attendance and try to make as many meetings as possible.

### **Adjournment**

**Selena Vonderheide** moved to adjourn the meeting at 5:03 p.m. **Pat Thyen** seconded. Motion passed 9-0.

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**Mike Jones**

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**Attested**