

**Minutes of the Jasper Community Arts Commission
City of Jasper, Indiana
July 7, 2015**

The regular meeting of the Jasper Community Arts Commission was held at 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday, July 7, 2015, in the Council Chambers at City Hall. Roll call was held with the following **Commission Members Present:** Mike Jones, Pat Thyen, Linda Kahle, Becky Hickman, Kyle Rupert, Darla Blazey and Sherry Monesmith. **Commission Members Absent:** Gary Moeller, Robin Norris, Beth Seidl, and Selena Vonderheide. **Staff Members Present:** Kit Miracle, Doreen Lechner, Karen Grewe, Corina Mack, Emily Colucci, and Donna Schepers. **City Attorney:** Renée Kabrick **Guests in attendance:** Herald Reporter Candy Neal, WITZ News Director Jim O'Neal, Mayor Terry Seitz, Dean Vonderheide and Christine Golden. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Sherry Monesmith moved to approve the minutes of the June meeting. **Becky Hickman** seconded. Motion passed 6-0.

City Financial Statement

Pat Thyen moved to approve the claims and financial statement as presented. **Becky Hickman** seconded. Motion passed 6-0.

Public Business

None.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Director's Report/Performing Arts

Kit reported.

- Money was reallocated into the awards line from the Director's salary line.
- *At 4:33, Darla Blazey arrived at the meeting.*
- Kit asked if everyone received the proposed 2016 budget that was emailed out. There are several major, repair expenses that will be coming up. They are: the roof of the building that was added in 1985 is leaking into Kit's office; lights in the west parking lot keep burning out due to water getting into them, and the shared sign with VUJC needs replacing. The proposed sign will be electronic and will be a shared cost with VUJC and the Indiana Baseball Hall of Fame. The riding mower needs to be replaced and a request was made to purchase electric chain motors for stage equipment. Discussion and questions followed. **Sherry Monesmith** moved to approve the budget for presentation to the Jasper Common Council. **Linda Kahle** seconded. Motion passed 7-0.
- Kit asked for approval to attend APAP in January. The early bird registration deadline is this month. **Mike Jones** moved to allow Kit to attend APAP. **Sherry Monesmith** seconded. Motion passed 7-0.
- Mike O'Bryan canceled as an entertainer for the Quick Draw event on Friday, July 10, due to a death in his family. The Lick Creek Band has agreed to provide entertainment for the event.

Building and Structure Report

Doreen reported.

- Doreen thanked the board for allowing her to attend the CUE Conference. She received training on the new lighting board console. She was pleased with the training.

Education Report

Donna reported.

- The Brown Bag Event held last month on Public Art by Fred Robberts was very well attended.
- A German Style Cabernet & Canvas Painting class will be offered on Tuesday, July 28 from 6:00 – 9:00 p.m.

Visual Arts Report

Emily reported.

- The Dubois County Art Guild is currently exhibiting their work in the Gallery. First Thursday is this week due to the holiday last week. Pottery bowls will be available for a donation. These were created in past art classes and donated.
- ARTventures classes are going well.
- The Quick Draw and Plein Air events are this weekend at the Schaefer Barn and Shelter House #4 on Friday evening and Saturday.
- The judge for the Juried Art Show will meet with Emily and choose the show. He will come to the JAC in September and choose the winners.

Project Coordinator Report

Corina reported.

- The Chalk Walk was very successful. The June date seemed to go well. There were more pre-registered participants this year than in the past few years. The date will remain the first Saturday in June, but the time will be adjusted from 8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Discussion followed. Consensus was to go with the June date and the new time frame.
- The Special Events Committee is working on the float. It will be a celebration of the JCAC's 40th anniversary.
- The 40th anniversary celebration invitations will be going out soon. Kyle Rupert and Heath Kluemper will be co-emcees.
- The search for muralist has been narrowed to three artists. They will each give presentations on their designs next week for the mural committee and anyone interested in seeing the designs.

Old Business

- Michael Jones began a discussion on the public meeting held last night with the Library Board. Barry Albertson and David Gamble presented options on how the Hoosier Desk Building could be renovated and parts rebuilt for future use. The conversation and tone of the meeting appeared positive to those in attendance. Dean Vonderheide, Library Board president, agreed the meeting went well. He said the Library Board will meet this week and hopes to make a decision. He thanked the JCAC for their patience and support.
- Karen Grewe reported that ticket sales to date are going well.
- Kit reported "The Next Act" is trying to pull together a management agreement. They will meet with Renée Kabrick later this month.

New Business

No new business

Adjournment

Becky Hickman moved to adjourn the meeting at 5:10 p.m. **Pat Thyen** seconded. Motion passed 7-0.

Mike Jones

Attested