

**Minutes of the Jasper Community Arts Commission
City of Jasper, Indiana
May 6, 2014**

The regular meeting of the Jasper Community Arts Commission was held at 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday, May 6, 2014, in the Council Chambers at City Hall. Roll call was held with the following **Commission Members Present:** Mike Jones, Robin Norris, Pat Thyen, Linda Kahle, Selena Vonderheide, Kyle Rupert and Sherry Monesmith. **Commission Members Absent:** Becky Beckman, Beth Seidl, Gary Moeller and Becky Hickman. **Staff Members Present:** Kit Miracle, Doreen Lechner, Karen Grewe, Corina Mack, Emily Colucci and Donna Schepers. **City Attorney:** Renee Kabrick **Guests in attendance:** Mayor Terry Seitz, WITZ News Director Jim O'Neil and Forest Park High School student, Tiffany Singer. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Robin Norris moved to approve the minutes of the April meeting. **Selena Vonderheide** seconded. Motion passed 7-0.

City Financial Statement

Linda Kahle moved to approve the claims and financial statement as presented. **Pat Thyen** seconded. Motion passed 7-0.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Director's Report/Performing Arts

Kit reported.

- *Broadway Today* and *The Texas Tenors* were the final two shows of the season. They were both big hits.
- *Chalk Walk* was held Saturday. It was an outstanding event.
- The season guide is in production. The goal is to have it completed by the end of the month.
- Kit and Doreen met at JHS with *The President's Marine Band* representatives and JHS staff regarding the September performance. There will be 3400 tickets available. They will be free to the public.
- Linus Mann, Technical Assistant has resigned his position. **Mike Jones** moved to allow Kit to hire a new Technical Assistant. **Sherry Monesmith** seconded. Motion passed 7-0.
- The 2014/2015 season line-up update was distributed to the board. *Asleep at the Wheel* is no longer viable. They wouldn't commit to a date. The *Nitty Gritty Dirt Band* has been added to the season on 9/21/14. *Ballroom with a Twist* has changed its date to November 23 from November 9. **Pat Thyen** moved to accept the slate of performers with the changes. **Sherry Monesmith** seconded. Motion passed 7-0.

Building and Structure Report

Doreen reported.

- No report.

Education Report

Donna reported.

- Middle school Junior Achievement students were here for a day in April to job shadow.
- JMS choir students will be here Thursday to perform at the Brown Bag Lunch event. They will perform songs from the musical *Into the Woods*.
- A program update for the Kennedy Center Partnership has been completed. Sean Layne and Joshua Kane will both be providing workshops through the Kennedy Center Partnership.

Visual Arts Report

Emily reported.

- *Chalk Walk* is over and went well.
- Linda Stephens' origami work is currently on display in the gallery. She offered a workshop to JHS students and spoke at the FIRST THURSDAY reception.

- ARTventures schedule is out.
- Juried Art Show call for artists has been sent to several art publications as well as a press release to local media.
- The 2015 Krempp Gallery artist line-up was presented to the board. After review and discussion, **Selena Vonderheide** moved to accept the slate of artists as presented. **Robin Norris** seconded. Motion passed 7-0.

Project Coordinator Report

Corina reported.

- *Chalk Walk* went well. Registrations were about the same as last year. Lots of people walking around looking at the artwork after the event ended. Stand-ins were very popular for photo ops. They were very well painted. Next year the Chalk Walk will be moved to June 6. Question was brought up about ending the event next year at 3 p.m. instead of 4 p.m. Crowd appears to thin and could be much warmer next year in June. Discussion followed. This issue will be revisited at a later date.
- Girl Scout art party was held in April for the girls to earn an art badge. This went very well. Other troops have shown an interest in doing the same.
- Special Events Committee has been working with the Strassenfest Committee on incorporating art into the Strassenfest. *Chalk Walk* Stand-ins will be used at the Strassenfest. ACT will offer a workshop during Strassenfest. Emily is coordinating a plein aire workshop for Strassenfest Saturday with a guest artist. The cost will be \$40 and the group will meet at Shelter House #4 on the Riverwalk. The Special Events committee will have a booth at the Strassenfest for attendees to make Bavarian hats out of paper with a feather or a flower. Volunteers are needed for this booth. Local art work will be displayed in store windows. And the JAC float this year will host the Hofmarschall, who is Tom Schum.
- The mural committee continues to meet and make progress on the mural. Elements of the design were presented to the board. The final design is not completed yet. Local artists were invited to offer ideas for the mural. The concept for the mural came from JHS student Allison Reckelhoff. The mural site is Krempp Lumber Company's east wall, across the street from the Farmers' Market area. Muralist Cyd Smiley is assisting with the mural. This will be a onetime project because we will not become a mural business. The public will be invited to assist with the painting. Discussion followed.

Old Business

New Business

- The strategic plan was distributed to the board. Dates, deadlines and goals were reviewed. Discussion followed. **Linda Kahle** moved to adopt the strategic plan as presented with minor modifications. **Pat Thyen** seconded. Motion passed 7-0.
- New board member information was distributed. If any corrections or updates are needed, please get them to Karen.

Adjournment

Sherry Monesmith moved to adjourn the meeting at 5:40 p.m. **Selena Vonderheide** seconded. Motion passed 7-0.

Mike Jones

Attested