

**Minutes of the Jasper Community Arts Commission
City of Jasper, Indiana
September 5, 2017**

The regular meeting of the Jasper Community Arts Commission was held at 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday, September 5, 2017, in the Council Chambers at City Hall. Roll call was held with the following **Commission Members Present:** Jay Hamlin, Becky Hickman, Mike Jones, Linda Kahle, Gary Moeller, Sherry Monesmith, Kent Reyling, and Pat Thyen. **Commission Members Absent:** Darla Blazey, Beth Seidl, & Selena Vonderheide: **Staff Members Present:** Kyle Rupert, Doreen Lechner, Corina Mack, Liz Book, & Donna Schepers. **City Attorney:** Renée Kabrick **Guest in attendance:** None. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Approval of Minutes

Gary Moeller moved to approve the minutes of the August meeting. **Sherry Monesmith** seconded. Motion passed 8-0.

City Financial Statement

Pat Thyen moved to approve the claims as presented. **Jay Hamlin** seconded. Motion passed 8-0.

Public Business

None

Director's Report/Performing Arts

Kyle reported:

- Arts Midwest Conference was successful and he thanked the board for allowing Donna to also attend.
- He is currently in the process of paring down the list of available shows for the 2018-2019 season.
- He reported there are four sold out shows for the current season: *Wynonna Judd & The Big Noise* and all of the backstage series shows.
- Ticket sales are up from last year.
- There is a new rental, *Dance by Mallory*. Mallory Humbert will be offering dance classes two days a week through mid-December.
- New custodian, Jason Martin, has been hired. His first day will be September 11.
- Roseneath contract has been finalized and Friends of the Arts will cover the artist's fee. All of artists are able to work in the US, and have work visas.
- After discussion, Kyle asked permission to order ticket stock, totaling \$1,250. **Mike Jones** moved to approve the purchase of ticket stock. **Sherry Monesmith** seconded. Motion passed 8-0.

Building and Structure Report

Doreen reported:

- The community room floors have been stripped and refinished.
- The Arts Center bathrooms should all be stripped and refinished during the month of September.
- For upcoming shows, Sherman is lending five moving lights, with a possible addition of a sound console.
- The crew for *Wynonna Judd & The Big Noise* is almost complete. She is still hoping to fill a few additional spots.

Visual Art Report

Corina reported:

- There are number of ARTventure classes offered this fall. Classes include: beginning and advanced clay, watercolor, collage making, creative problem solving and art history. Deadline to sign-up is September 29.
- Patoka Valley Quilter's Guild show was well received and came down quickly.
- Betsy Stirratt will judge the Juried Art Show. During the First Thursday Reception on September 7, the winners will be announced.

Education Report

Donna reported:

- Kennedy Center artist, Judy Klevins will have workshops for teachers and students September 13 and 14. The workshop will discuss the techniques and art of storytelling.
- Arts Midwest had many projects available for educators.

Project Coordinator Report

Corina reported:

- She will host an Art birthday party with Kyle acting as co-host.

Old Business

- Next Act is continuing phase II of the Astra remodel. The season for the Astra's shows will be six months different from JCA. The agreement with Next Act and the City is currently being discussed.
- No new updates on LEADS.
- Renée reported the interlocal agreement between the library board and city has been approved, as well as, the design, development, and construction agreement with City Works. There will be a joint meeting September 13 to discuss design and budget for the project. Key staff from both the arts center and library will be asked to give input into the design, which will then be presented to the board for review. She also reported that the bonding process has begun and ownership agreements are being drawn up. Start date for the deconstruction of the Hoosier Desk building will determined at a later date, based on the design.

New Business

None.

Adjournment

Gary Moeller moved to adjourn the meeting at 5:04. **Becky Hickman** seconded. Motion passed 8-0.

Michael Jones

Attested