

Centerville Arts Commission Meeting Minutes July 1, 2020

Members present: Chairperson, Jim Collins, Kate Bostdorff, Tom Bankston, Betty Lou Carney, Jane Rodgers, Michelle Van Huss, Louise Huan, Kathy Jablinski, Terry O'Brien, John Palcher

Members absent: Marlene Orendorf

Staff Report: Kate reported Centerville has been making adjustments, as needed, in response to the coronavirus. The city reopened June 8, 2020.

Art Gallery: The lobby was closed in March. Ray Meyers scheduled for July decided his art might not be appropriate in this political climate. We hope to open the gallery again in August.

Art at the Trace: Move on. The art show will be first, then art exhibits. Suggestions made were a silent auction and dinner dance with silent auction. Artists need to be able to sell their art. AATT has not been a venue for the sale of their art. The artists do gain through exposure to those attending, along with orders that are placed and/or requisitioning their individual art at a future date. A decision needs to be made no later than November 2020. The sculpture at Cornerstone was discussed as a possibility. Completion date for the park is November.

Classical Series: Tom had scheduled a performance of "A Cinderella Trilogy" at St. Leonard's in March that had to be cancelled due to the pandemic. Suggestions would be appreciated for future performances. Jim indicated he was approached by the Gem City singers who would be interested in performing for the Christmas celebrations. Jim requested that Tom start working on Christmas plans.

Interactive: Photo contest plans for summer were cancelled. It will be decided in September if it is possible to have a Christmas in Centerville theme for a photo contest. On Friday, July 10, Heart of Centerville's "Party in the Park" will be at the Dayton Mall with vendors and the Eric Jerardi band. If successful, the next date will be Friday, August 14, 2020. Terry indicated they would combine in October with the Fall Festival at Stubbs Park.

Concert Series: Beginning Monday, 9:00 a.m., July 6, tickets will be available for the first concert on July 12. 270 spaces will be designated accommodating 5 people per space. Tickets can be obtained from the City of Centerville web site and face book. There will be food trucks by the pond. It has been agreed not to have the same food items as the concession. Beer will be sold opposite the tent. Plans need to be worked out on location, long lines, etc. The park will not open until 6:00 p.m. Volunteers are to be there at 5:30 p.m. There will be one entrance by the tent. Traffic control is in place and those areas are blocked off that usually would be used for parking and entry to the park. Dancing will not be permitted on the concrete pads. August 15, Jim wants to have the National Anthem sang by a 5-year old girl who tried out for the Dragons. To date, August 30 has not been confirmed by the Community Band. The bands are not cancelled but will be rescheduled for 2021 where necessary.

New/Old Business: The Pocket Park located at Alex-Bell and St Rt 48 was discussed as a possible location for a sign (marquee) listing events taking place in Centerville. John said the council will address this issue. John wants the Arts Commission to be a part of the dedication of the sculpture at Cornerstone. A question was asked about the Menus scheduled for July 19. They usually start at 6:00 p.m., however, this year they will be told to begin at 7:00 p.m. The balls and other items generally shared with the audience will be suspended for now due to the pandemic. Terry asked if we had discussed the Pocket Park at a previous meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Jane Rodgers