

Centerville Arts Commission Meeting
June 1, 2011

Members Present: Bob Waker, Acting Chairman, Bill Burns, Sue Butler, Betty Lou Carney, Marty Holzinger, Walt Smucker, Ginny Strausburg, Jill Wallace, and Kay Wick.

Members Absent: Kera Estep, Sierra Kelley, Marlene Orendorf, and Jim Teske.

Also Present: Kristen Gopman, Assistant to the City Manager.

The meeting was called to order by Bob Waker, Acting Chairman, at 7:05 PM.

Minutes

The minutes of the May 4, 2011 meeting were unanimously approved as presented.

Staff Report

Kristen reported the following:

- The Summer Issue of the Town Crier will be released June 2 and will have a page dedicated to the Concert Series.
- The Volunteer Salute dinner was held at Yankee Trace on May 19th. The Arts Commission was well represented.
- In June the Art Gallery will feature Dan Borzynski's landscape photography. A reception will be held on June 7 from 6-8 PM in the Art Gallery.
- A concert host volunteer sign-up sheet was distributed.
- "No Smoking outside of designated area" signs have been installed in the Stubbs Park Amphitheater.
- Petition circulators now must get a permit from City Hall, and then are only allowed to solicit signatures "outside the temporary gates" in the parking area at Stubbs Park,

Committee Reports

- Art Gallery -- all months except November and December have artists scheduled.
- Classical Series -- Bob Waker gave a recap of the "Original Night" program and reported that the music compositions this year were outstanding and enjoyed by approximately 170 attendees. Two high school juniors will be taking over the leadership of this program next year.
- Farmers Market Poster Contest -- Betty Lou reported this year's overall winner is Xavior Motley, a seventh grader at Tower Heights Middle School. All winners will be recognized at the June 20 City Council Meeting.
- Battle of the Bands -- Kristen reported that this year only 3 bands entered the contest (in 2010 there were 8 entries), and 1 of the 3 is last year's winner. These bands will perform on June 22 at 7:00 PM in the high school's Performing Arts Center. The winning band (chosen by audience applause) will also be performing during the Americana Festival at the Activity Center. Arts Commission members were asked to usher at the June 22 competition. A review of this program needs to be done to decide if it is a viable event, or is the date a problem, etc.

- Summer Concerts
- The Jazz & Peace Festival will be held in Stubbs Amphitheater on Saturday, July 9 from 1-7 PM. Commission members were asked to be host volunteers at 1 of the 3 scheduled shifts.
- The revised survey format was approved as presented.
- On June 26 the US Army Jazz Ambassadors are scheduled to perform at Stubbs Amphitheater. They have invited 3 local high school students to join them to play a selection, "In the Mood".

- New Business
- Ginny reported that Jim and Kera also attended the Governor's Luncheon on May 11 in Columbus. Karen Kasich, wife of the Governor, announced that the budget allowance to the Ohio Arts Council is greater than expected -- an good report in a time of budget cuts.
- Summer Concert Committee Chair Nominations -- because Bob Waker's term on the Arts Commission is expiring, and because he is unable to continue at this time due to his employment schedule, the Commission recommended Walt Smucker complete the 2011 year as chairman of the Summer Concert Committee. Walt has agreed to serve in this capacity.
- Arts Commission Chair Nominations -- suggestions should be made to City Council at this time. This position is open due to Bob Waker's departure. City Council will appoint the chairperson.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Sue Butler, Acting Secretary