

**NORTHVILLE ARTS COMMISSION**  
**The Regular Commission Meeting**  
**July 9, 2008; 7:00 p.m.**  
**ART HOUSE**

**MEETING MINUTES**

**Commissioners Present:** Ellen Bennett, Galina Koriduzki, Sharon Rossow, Mary Step, Kathleen Tabaczynski, Sue Taylor

**Others Present:** Gerry Culpepper, Peggy Kerwan, Natalie Noeske, Nancy Darga

**Commissioners Absent (excused):** Jeff Cancelosi, Dominique Moroz

**Call to order: 7:15 p.m.**

**Approval of Minutes:** It was moved by Kathleen, seconded by Galina, and unanimously agreed that the June 11 minutes be approved.

**Financial Report:** Galina succinctly reported that we have money in our budget! (Gerry Culpepper offered to assist in accounting duties.)

**Recognition of Visitors:** Natalie Noeske was welcomed as a new volunteer.

**Old Business:**

Renovation Update – On task. Gerry will research a hanging system.

Director Position Update (Galina) -- Interviews to be held Tuesday, July 8

Garden Walk (Mary) – Stressed the need for events to be committee-driven; more volunteers are required for this event in the future (minimum of one in a.m. and one in p.m. at Art House).

**New Business:**

Victorian Festival Presence

It was decided to have a booth uptown in addition to holding our Plein Aire event at Art House. A committee will be formed to work out logistics. Current committee members are Mary, Peggy, Sharon and Natalie. Sue will solicit additional volunteers.

**(Note: a preliminary meeting for this committee has been set for Wednesday, July 23)**

Performance Measures

Kathleen will submit for this year and work with City to select a better matrix for future planning measures.

**Committee Reports:**

Exhibit Committee (Ellen)

Ellen reported that a brainstorming session will be held at the August 5 meeting to prepare the 2008/09 exhibit schedule. Paint color and finish should be discussed and Gerry will research hanging systems for new gallery.

George Harper Exhibit (Jeff via Sue)

Jeff has been talking with the family of former Northville resident and oil

painter, George Harper, in order to have an exhibit of his work at the Art House. Because of expenses in getting the artwork here and the resulting publicity of such an exhibit, it was discussed that we might approach the Historical Society, DIA (Mary has contact), Dr. Demray and possibly hold a separate fundraiser for this exhibit. A family member will visit Art House on July 25.

Art Detroit Now wrap up (Jeff via Sue)

Art Detroit Now sent out a questionnaire to follow up on their May 2008 event. Sue will report to them that we would prefer a spring event, over 3 weekends in a month with each weekend targeting a different zone area; and we would not be interested in participating in an Art Fair.

Holiday Show

A wreath fundraiser was discussed in lieu of a holiday show. A member of the Library Friends group is interested in guiding us on this event.

**To be discussed/planned in August.**

Fundraiser – discuss in August with new director  
Artist studio tour suggested.

#### **Announcements**

**Governmental bodies do not qualify for the Nonprofit Standard Mail rates.**

**First Friday volunteer sign up (meet & greet our First Friday guests!)**

**August 1 – Art in the Garden – Sharon/Kathleen**

**September 5 – Camera Club Exhibit – Ellen Bennett**

**October 3 – Vote for Me! – Mary Step**

**?November 7 – Holiday Art Market – Kathleen/Sue. . .**

**Adjournment: 8:40 p.m.**

**Respectfully Submitted,**

*Sue Taylor*

**Sue Taylor, Secretary**

**Approved:** September 10, 2008