

NORTHVILLE ARTS COMMISSION
The Regular Commission Meeting
August 9, 2006, 7:30 p.m.
ART HOUSE
Minutes

Commissioners Present: Kim Dawson, Arlene Catrett, Carol Kendra, Galina Koriduzki, Alexis O'Connor, Sharon Rossow, Mary Step, Kathleen Tabaczynski, Sue Taylor

Others Present: Ellen Bennett, Dawnice Kerchaert, Gerardo Macias-Garcia, Dominique Moroz, Eric Novack, Nicole Passmore, Andrzej Sikora, Aaron Timlin, Katherine Wickersham

Commissioners Absent: Darcy Deneau

Call to order: 7: 30 p.m.

Approval of Minutes: It was moved by Kathleen Tabaczynski, seconded by Arlene Catrett and voted unanimously that the July 12, 2006 minutes be approved.

Financial Report

Sue Taylor met with City finance officers and director of Parks & Recreation. They support our using some of our fund balance to purchase various office equipment so that volunteers and eventual staff can work at the Art House.

A motion was made by Arlene Catrett for authorization to spend up to \$3,000 from our Fund Balance for a computer system, phone lines, credit card terminal and sink, in addition to up to \$300 per month to lease/purchase a copy machine. This was seconded by Kathleen Tabaczynski and approved unanimously. Sue Taylor will coordinate purchases and needs.

Consultant Report (Aaron Timlin)

To date, 22 artists are showing work in our next exhibit, N-Turprt, which will open September 1, 2006 until the end of October. Aaron will put together a program handout for this exhibit with the help of Mary Step. The First Friday reception and staffing will be coordinated by Aaron Timlin, who will email his needs to all Commissioners for this exhibit.

Our next exhibit will be the Holiday Show. A committee was formed which consists of Kim Dawson, Carol Kendra, Galina Koriduzki, Alexis O'Connor, Mary Step, Kathleen Tabaczynski, Sue Taylor and Katherine Wickersham. Aaron will call this committee together.

In order to participate in November's First Friday, it was suggested that our Artists in Residence studio be open for tours on November 3, 2006.

Parks & Recreation Report (Nicole Passmore)

The Parks & Recreation brochure will be mailed out August 17, 2006.

New Business

New Member Orientation: New Commissioners were welcomed and a folder of NAC/Art House information was passed out. Current new members include Kim Dawson, Carol Kendra, Galina Koriduzki, Alexis O'Connor, Evonne Simoff and Mary Step. Eric Simmons was removed from the roster as his term of service had expired and he did not respond to calls.

A motion was made by Alexis O'Connor (*her first motion!*) to amend the NAC Articles of Organization, Article III, Section 2 to state that "This Commission must consist of no less than two-thirds of residents from City of Northville, Northville Township and Northville School District". This was seconded by Galina Koriduzki (*another first!*) and approved unanimously. Final approval must be made by City Council. It is hoped that this approval will be made at the August 21 meeting along with the approval of four more Commission members! *WELCOME EVERYONE AND THANK YOU FOR PARTICIPATING!!*

A motion was also made by Carol Kendra to accept Katherine Wickersham as a Commissioner. This was seconded by Kathleen Tabaczynski and approved unanimously.

Roles (Kathleen Tabaczynski): Kathleen encouraged all Commissioners to become active in specific roles such as programming, exhibits, marketing & publicity, public art, fundraising, etc. Alexis O'Connor offered to keep our website up to date.

Gallery Hours: We will re-evaluate the need for Sunday hours at our December or January meeting. Once the Store is open, Katherine Wickersham will be working at the Art House on Thursdays from 1:00 to 7:00 p.m. and be responsible for keeping the Art House open on that day.

Mitten Movie Project (Eric Novack): Eric reported that "InZer0" will premier in Northville at the Marquis Theatre on Wednesday, September 13, at 7:30. It was suggested that NAC attend this opening in lieu of a meeting in September.

Recognition to donors: Still being decided upon.

Committee Reports

Art Market (Sue Taylor): Three volunteers per shift are needed for Victorian Festival weekend, September 16 and September 17. Please call Sue Taylor at 248-449-8361 or email at staylor3@comcast.net. It would be helpful to have one Commissioner per shift this weekend.

Gallery Store Update (Katherine Wickersham/Carol Kendra): The Store will open for Victorian Festival. In addition to regular Gallery hours, Katherine will keep the building open on Thursdays from 1:00 to 7:00 p.m.

Membership Program (Kathleen Tabaczynski): Kathleen introduced Ellen Bennett who helped design the membership brochure (*which is beautiful, by the way!*). It was decided that membership directly benefit the Art House. The goal is to have the brochure done in order to be able to insert it in our newsletter, which is being targeted to be mailed out around August 24.

Art Out of the Box (Aaron Timlin): Wood wine crates and cigar boxes are needed.

Adjournment: 9:20 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Sue Taylor, Secretary

Approved: October 11, 2006