

**WARRENSBURG ARTS COMMISSION MEETING
MAY 20, 2019**

Call to Order/Roll Call

A meeting of the Warrensburg City Council was held on May 20, 2019, at 7:00 p.m., at the Municipal Center, 200 S. Holden. Gary Grigsby called the meeting to order: Present were Gary Grigsby, Stephanie Sekelsky, Aerin Sentgeorge, and Laura Lockhart. Absent: Jay Lindhardt, Christian Cutler, and Cindy Bechtol.

Establish Quorum

Grigsby declared a quorum was met.

Approval of Agenda

Stephanie moved that the agenda be approved, seconded; carried unanimously.

Approval of Minutes

Laura moved to approve the minutes, seconded by Aerin; carried unanimously.

Introductions

Gary introduced Scott Holmberg, a new member of the Warrensburg City Council. Scott said he is a huge supporter of the arts and will attend the meetings occasionally to keep up with what is going on. Gary explained to Scott that the Mayor and City Council members have appointed members of the Arts Commission, and action from the meetings is forwarded to the Mayor and City Council members.

Finance/Budget

There was discussion of submitting information to the City for consideration for the annual budget. Gary and Stephanie will meet with the City Finance Department concerning the budget. The May 1st deadline was discussed, and that date will be verified with the Finance Department to be sure it is the correct date. The balance in cash reserves is \$28,276.54 and the balance in the Public Arts Fund is \$712.03. Gary noted Stephanie is the Chair of the Finance Committee.

The Arts Grant amount for the last fiscal year was discussed. It was confirmed the amount was \$3,000. The items for the community theatre increased the amount. The goal had been to leave \$8,000 in reserves.

The account balances of \$28,276.54 and \$712.03 were considered for approval. Stephanie moved to accept these account balances, seconded by Laura; Carried unanimously. Gary said he may need to change the date of the next meeting because of Boys State.

Program Updates

Laura said she has reached out to Jeff Imboden about administrative rights and she can keep track of who is going to be on KOKO. Laura said she still has not be able to connect with Christian. Gary asked members to reach out to Laura to provide information so she will be informed and can inform the community.

Unfinished Business

Gary said hopefully the plaque will be put on the piano at the Veterans Home this summer.

JC Carter Sculpture

Gary said Christian needs someone to help him collect the sculptures and find a place to store them. Gary said they can be stored at his building temporarily. Aerin said she will get in touch with Christian and see if her husband can help him.

Musical Instruments

This discussion will be tabled.

MACA Annual meeting

It is planned for November 8, 2019, at Rochport in Columbia. Gary said this is a great organization. Gary invited those interested to attend this worthwhile event.

Other Business

Gary said some creative employees from the Parks and Recreation Department placed a rogue heron by Lions Lake. He said they also designed a flag that is on display at the Community Center. Gary said they have had some great ideas and he is hoping they can participate in future Arts activities. If no one has any objections, Gary will speak with Jeff from Parks and Recreation.

New Business

Gary said there have been some questions about several Capital Improvement Projects. He said there was a question about whether the Roundabout Project qualifies as a Capital Improvement Project that would include the 1% for the Arts. It was explained that the project is for the Hawthorne Development area and would not qualify for the 1% for the Arts.


There was discussion of the Arts website and whether it would be best to just use Facebook. Laura will check on steps to update the Arts Commission Website.

Other Business

There was discussion of changing the artwork at City Hall and various other places. Aerin said she and Scott Holmberg have discussed work on a school-wide tile board project for elementary students and a mural for the high school students. This would entail painting tiles and Scott could help because of his connection with RISE. Aerin said the idea was to have the artwork displayed in the downtown area and maybe at City Hall

Aerin said she would like to apply for a grant for this project. She asked if she could request a grant under the Arts for Public Places, and Gary said he said he believed it could be if part of the permanent collection. Scott explained he has seen this type of artwork both for interior and exterior walls.

Gary said Jeff Imboden would be a good source for questions about grants. There was discussion of the possible grant applications and Aerin said it would be good to add the Arts Commission logo. This will be discussed again at a future meeting.


Cindy Gabel, City staff liaison