NOTICE

Arts Council Meeting Tuesday, February 28, 2023, 1:30 pm—Online

Minutes

Present: Kay Rashka, Bill Brehm, Bill Amundson, Ingrid McMasters, Cheryl Schumacher, Victoria Flynn, Callie LaPoint

Absent: Katheryn Jones, Natalie Norlin Call to Order by Brehm—1:36 pm.

- 1. Motion to approve November 15, 2022 Minutes by Amundson, seconded by Schumacher—1:37 pm.
- 2. Communications/Updates:
 - a. From Brehm—Opera House
 - i. Julie is out with a broken leg until April.
 - ii. All the seats have been upholstered.
 - iii. Henry Verden passed away.
 - iv. Catfish River Music Fest is scheduled for Fri. June 30-July 2.
 - v. Fireworks will be held on July 4th.
 - b. From LaPoint—Chamber of Commerce
 - i. Events upcoming include: Annual Awards, Community Expo, and Syttende Mai planning.
 - ii. Syttende Mai will have a new route planned for the run/walk this year.
 - iii. Once the plan is completed it will have to be approved by City Council.
 - iv. Arts District banners are back up.
 - c. From McMasters—Spry Whimsy & Downtown Merchants' Association
 - i. DMA has a meeting scheduled for next Tuesday.
 - 1. Is DMA interested in taking over Art Walk?
 - d. From Amundson
 - i. Gazebo Musikk had an event at Mershon's last week. It went well.
 - ii. Gazebo Musikk will be partnering with Taste of Stoughton this year.
- 3. Update on increasing membership and participation
 - a. An Arts Council Meet Up is planned for next Tuesday from 4:30-6:30 pm.
 - b. The Meet Ups have helped create an increased interest in Arts Council.
 - c. Arts Council is limited to 8 members, but it would be good to have a list of supporters who want to get involved with Art Walk etc.
 - d. The question of where Arts Council wants to go moving forward was raised by Brehm.
 - i. Rashka suggests focusing on Art Walk and becoming more visible before taking additional big steps.

4. Motion to adjourn by Raska, seconded by LaPoint—2:23 pm.

Next meeting: 3/28/23

Respectfully submitted by V. Flynn 3/25/23