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CULTURE & ARTS COMMISSION

Minutes

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DATE: 8/23/12
TIME: 3:15 pm
TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE

August 14, 2012

Members Present: Judy Simpson Ann Conroy Kim Osgood Priscilla Altorelli
Linda Bellavance

Others Present: Jeri Swinik Rich Saboka

Public Comment- Mr. Saboka from the Knights of Columbus spoke on behalf of Council 53 regarding the Grand Relighting ceremony. He was given and will distribute invitations to the Knights membership. The Knights will supply the beverage cups for the evening's event. Chairman Simpson asked Mr. Saboka if the Knights could help with the cost of the event. He could not speak without asking his Board, he will get back to her on this issue.

Jeri Swinik, Strand manager, will order all the paper products. She was also asked to rent cocktail tables to placed through-out the theater for the evening. She was also requested to get a DVD copy of the movie "The Artist" which will play on the screen during the event.

Strand Report: Jeri Swinik reported the following:

June ticket and concessions - \$1,797.57

July \$3,597.00 She also reported that she had sold \$100.00 worth of movie posters - money has been given to Priscilla Altorelli. She reported that the wallpaper border had been installed and she would like to order new stanchions, ropes and poster frames to decorate the front lobby and also requested a new set of letters for the marquee.

Approx. costs- \$40.33 ea. Stanchions / \$140.00 ropes/ \$56.00 ea. Frames (4)

A motion was made – To have Jeri Swinik purchase stanchions, ropes, and gold frames for the lobby by Ann Conroy, second by Linda Bellavance

VOTE: 4 YES 0 NO 0 ABSTAINED

It was also decided by the Commission to have Mrs. Swinik order a new set of letters for the marquee in time for the marquee lighting. A motion was made by Priscilla Altorelli - Jeri Swinik order a new set of red letters for the marquee. Second by Ann Conroy

Vote: 4 YES 0 NO 0 ABSTAINED

Mrs. Swinik requested prices be raised for a theater ticket- Commission will take under advisement and discuss and report at a later date

Chairman Simpson reported to the Commission that the roof has been completed and the contractor submitted an invoice for \$700.00 more than the original quote. He has sited the costs for both materials and labor has risen since April 2012 when the job was to be completed. This matter will be turned over to the Selectman's office.

Secretary Report: Priscilla Altorelli motioned that June 2012 Minutes be accepted as read second by Ann Conroy

VOTE: 4 YES 0 NO 0 ABSTAINED

Motion to accept July 2012 Minutes with corrections made by Priscilla Altorelli second by Kim Osgood

Omitted from July Minutes: Ann Conroy will do research regarding the Strand for a theater brochure.

VOTE: 4 YES 0 NO 0 ABSTAINED

Treasurer's Report: See attached
Save our Strand Account \$ 30,372.75
Culture and Arts Account \$ 35,720.00

Ann Conroy motioned to Accept Treasurer's Report as presented second Kim Osgood

VOTE: 4 YES 0 NO 0 ABSTAINED

Chairman's Report: It was reported to the Commission that at a recent meeting of the downtown merchants a complaint was brought up at the meeting regarding the Summer Concerts being held during First Saturdays. It seems that some of the merchants are not in favor of the concert goers being downtown during First Saturday events and the streets being closed to traffic. The Commission will look into changing concert dates during the summer of 2013. A possibility of hosting a Picnic & Concert in the Park for children and their families during the summer of 2013 will be discussed at a later date.

Ann Conroy handed in several items about the history of the Strand which will be used for the Theater's brochure to be made later in 2012. Some of the items will be displayed the night of the Re-Lighting Ceremony.

Judy Simpson will look into getting a small chamber group from the Naugatuck Symphony Orchestra to perform at the Relighting Ceremony.

Motion to adjourn meeting was made at 9:20 PM by Linda Bellavance second Kim Osgood **Vote: 4 YES 0 NO 0 ABSTAINED**

Respectfully submitted,
Linda Bellavance
Secretary

EXPENDITURES SINCE JULY 10, 2012 MEETING 2012-2013 Budget

1250.00 K of C July rent
55.00 Nu-Age Design P.O. 84987 Concert Signs
450.00 Lee-Ann Lovelace/The Mighty Kind P. O. 84988
800.00 Nu-Age Design P.O. 85017 Banners & Poles
2555.00

CURRENT BUDGET BALANCE

13750.00 Rent
8695.00 Purchased Services
600.00 General Supplies
100.00 Building Improvements
6200.00 Electricity
6375.00 Other Utilities

35720.00 Total