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SEYMOUR CULTURE AND ARTS COMMISSION
MEETING January 12, 2010
7:00 PM Sevmour Town Hall

Those in attendance: Judy Simpson Kim Osgood Priscilla Altorelli Linda Bellavance
Mary Reyher Others in attendance: Joseph O'Doy

Call to Order: Called to order at 7:16 pm Chairman Simpson lead membership in the Pledge of Allegiance

Public Comment: Joseph O'Doy addressed the letter received by the Commission addressing the noise problem during the running of the weekend movies. Mr. O'Doy assured the Commission that he would speak to the building committee and request that they review the clause in the rental agreement that addresses the time that loud music can and cannot be played. He apologized for any inconvenience and stated that he would speak with First Selectman Roy regarding the recent problems.

Strand Theater Report: None

Treasurer's Report: See Attached. Balance to date \$ 23,653.73 Priscilla has met with Selectman Roy to review budget for 2010, which will be presented to the Board of Finance on February 17, 2010.

Secretary Report: Priscilla Altorelli motioned that the Minutes for January 2010 be accepted as read, Second Mary Reyher **VOTE: All in favor** Linda Bellavance asked how many flower containers we would be filling this summer as she had recently spoken to JoElle Anderson. It was decided that the Commission will attend to the four containers at the intersection of First and Banks Street. The Commission will not fill or maintain the two flower containers at the doors of Town Hall.

She reported to the Commission that arrangements had been made to pick up pictures from the 5 schools just before the February break. Judges will be notified in March of date to review finalists. The same business owners as last year will be requested to judge again.

Contracts: Mary Reyher reported that all contracts were received except those from Flashback and the group which we have contacted for the Founder's Day entertainment. Both bands were called during the meeting, messages left at both numbers. She will continue to try and contact both groups in order to secure signed contracts.

Valerie D'Anna reported that she had contacted John Banko regarding the return of his group to perform for the Park and Rec summer camps. A date of July 28th was given as his availability, at a cost of \$325.00. Contract will be sent. Letter will be sent to Jack Ahearn regarding the performance for the children.

Chairman's Report: Chairman Simpson reported that the Commission had sent out letters to all the non-profits in town regarding the Founder's Day event on June 6, 2010. Schedules of performers will be done as soon as forms have been returned. All members of the Commission were requested to work the day of the event. Times and duties will be discussed as the date gets closer.

New Business: Kim Osgood presented to the Commission the large S.O.S. (Save Our Strand) flyer which is already hanging at Zois Restaurant on Main St and will be placed on the front doors of the Strand Movie Theater. The fundraiser is being sponsored by Zois Pizza, Eder Bros and Crown Liquors to raise money for theater renovations. A wine and beer tasting evening will be held on Monday February 22, 2010 from 7-9 at Zois Pizza. Tickets are \$25.00 in advance and \$30.00 at the door. All money raised will be used for much needed renovations.

Old Business: Priscilla Altorelli presented a flyer created by her daughter listing the 2010 summer, fall and winter events. The flyer will be again placed in the Valley Gazette in June for town-wide distribution. Valerie D'Anna will coordinate the printing and distribution.

Meeting adjourned 8:30 PM
Respectfully submitted,

Linda Bellavance

Linda Bellavance
Secretary