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CULTURE & ARTS COMMISSION

<u>MEETING</u> <u>JUNE 9, 2009</u> <u>FLAHERTY ROOM</u>

Members Present: Mary Reyher Valerie D'Anna Ann Conroy Priscilla Altorelli Linda Bellavance

Others Present: Christian Bonnani Denise Bonnani

Meeting called to order at 8:15pm, Committee was lead in the Pledge by Boy Scout Christian Bonnani.

Public Comment;

A request was made by Christian Bonnani, 8th grader from Seymour Middle School and Boy Scout from Pack 65 to sell bottled water, cans of soda and snacks during the summer concerts at French Park each week. He explained that he was trying to raise money to attend a scout jamboree in the summer of 2010. All members felt this was both a good idea for Christian while providing drinks and snacks to the people attending the concerts. A motion was made to allow Christian Bonnani to sell snacks during the concerts both at French Park and rain location, the Strand Theater by Linda Bellavance Second Val D'Anna. Vote: 5 Yes 0 No 0 Disqualify 0 Abstain

Strand Theater Report: Jeri Swinik not present

Treasurer's Report: Given by Priscilla Altorelli **See Attached** Priscilla will contact the Knights of Columbus to arrange an oil delivery before the fiscal year comes to an end. Surplus money in the utilities line item to be used by 6/30/09. Also in the contracted services, money is still available. Commission has decided to provide a program for the children who attend the 2 town summer rec camps. Val D'Anna will try to arrange a date to have John Banker, calypso musician to perform at some point during the summer. The commission will pay for both entertainment and bus transportation to get Chatfield Park children to Gary Park for the performance. Priscilla Altorelli will make arrangements with Jack Ahern from the Recreation Dept. Page 2 Culture and Arts Meeting 6/9/09

Minutes: Motion made to accept Minutes as read by Val D'Anna and

Second by Priscilla Altorelli : **4 Yes 0 No 0 Disqualify 0 Abstain** Secretary's Report; Linda Bellavance reported to Commission members that she and Judy Simpson had attended a Founder's Day meeting with members of the Downtown Merchant's Assoc. and a member of the Historical Society. The Commission will be working with the fire depts., police dept and ambulance dept. to coordinate events for the celebration. Plans are only in the preliminary stages and future meetings will be attended and reported back to the Commission.

Mary Reyher asked that a letter be put in the newspaper thanking all those helping the commission to carry out all the concerts and programs that we sponsor during the 2009 season.

Chairman's Report; Given by vice-chair Mary Reyher

Block dance was well attended, weather was extremely cooperative and everyone seemed to have a very good time. Business owners were happy with the turn out.

Park Concert Series will begin Sunday June 28, 2009.

Ann Conroy had stated that she would take the July 19th concert, as this is the only one open. Although she did tell the Commission that she would be at most concerts.

Mary reported that she has cleaned and renewed wording on the 2 large signs and they were placed at French Park on Rt 67 and the entrance to Stop and Shop.

Meetings for July and August will not be held due to the vacation schedules of the members. but members will gather for a picnic in July, date to be announced after vacation schedules are checked.

Old Business; None

Motion to adjourn made at 9:20 PM by Ann Conroy Second Priscilla Altorelli

Vote: 5 Yes 0 No 0 Disqualify 0 Abstain

Respectfully Submitted,

Linda Bellavance

Linda Bellavance Secretary