

Town of Seymour

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CULTURE & ARTS COMMISSION

Meeting October 14, 2008 SEYMOUR TOWN HALL 7:00 PM

Members Present: Judith Simpson Priscilla Altorelli Ann Conroy Mary Reyher Jane Hull Valerie D'Anna Linda Bellavance (arrived 7:30)

Meeting called to order at 7:00 PM members recited the Pledge of Allegiance **PUBLIC COMMENT:** None

Treasure's Report: Priscilla Altorelli reported:

\$3750.00. Lease
\$1,114.76.00 CL&P pymnt
\$160.00 J&J Gardens
\$13.50 Postcards for merchants
\$150.00 Candy Bags and misc. items / Trick or Treat Day
\$450.00 PO
\$33454.08 Balance to Date
Motion made to accept report Mary Reyher second Jane Hull
Vote: 6 Yes 0 No 0 Disqualify 0 Abstain

Secretary Report:

Minutes accepted as ReadMotion made Priscilla AltorelliSecond Ann ConroyVote:6 Yes0 No0 Disgualify0 Abstain

Concerts 2009:

6/6/09	Block Dance	Flashback \$900	0.00	
6/28/09	Concert	Larry Ace \$50	Larry Ace \$500.00	
7/12/09	Open	TBA		
7/19/09	Concert	Starving Artist	\$400.00	
7/26/09	Concert	TBA		
8/1/09	Block Dance	Marty Switek	\$700.00	
8/9/09	Concert	Navy Band		
8/16/09	Concert	TBA		
8/23/09	Concert	Kerry Boys	\$775.00	

Steel band will be contacted to arrange to take an open date. Mary Reyher to contact. Mary reported that The Kerry Boys have not gone up in their fee from last year. Frank Porto may be used to fill one of the open dates. Page 2 October 14, 2008 Culture and Arts Meeting

Thank you notes will be sent to both Public Works for cleaning the lot and the owner of the property for the use of the parking lot and the electricity, which was provided.

Strand Theater: Report given by Jeri Swinik, Strand Theater Manager

September \$4,105.50 taken in from ticket and concession sales

\$200.00 deposit given by Oxford Academy for the up-coming fundraiser It was reported that there is an electrical problem with some wall lights. Knights of Columbus has been notified. Mary Reyher will get information on an electrician.

Marvelous Martins will perform on Sunday, October 19,2008 at the Strand. Jeri Swinik will open theater at 12:00 PM and she will stay and open the concession booth.

It was reported that a rental for 550.00 will be made by the Evangelical Church in Ansonia for 11/28/08. They will contract to use the theater for $3\frac{1}{2}$ hrs.

It was reported to the commission that the High School cleaning crew has been becoming increasingly lax in their job performance. Each week Jeri has been finding little things wrong with the weekly cleaning. Brooms left in the isles, trash cans left full, trash bags not brought up to the door, lights left on.

On October 9, 2008 Jeri entered the theater and instantly smelled an odor of something burned. She searched everywhere looking for the source of the odor and did not find anything at first. She entered the ticket booth and happened to notice at the bottom of the wastepaper basket, several burned movie ticket stubs. It was apparent to her that someone had lit the tickets on fire. She brought the tickets to the meeting and turned them over to the Commission. With this recent incident Jeri as well as the members of the Commission were very concerned about the supervision of the students who are brought to the theater each week. Judy Simpson assured her that the teacher in charge of the program will be contacted and that the students will be unable to work at the theater unless a teacher accompanies them. The Commission will inform Jeri of the outcome after the teacher is contacted.

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Up-Coming Events:

*2nd Annual Trick or Treat Day- Saturday October 25, 2008 1-3

*Candy bags will be given to the first 200 children attending

*Carolers have been contracted for the First Saturday in December

*Board of Education presentation for the Art Contest on Monday October 20,2008

*Special meeting November 18, 2008

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 PM.

Respectfully submitted, *Linda Bellavance* Linda Bellavance / Valerie D'Anna

EXPENDITURES SINCE SEPTEMBER 9, 2008 MEETING

3750.00 K of C August, September, October
450.00 Purchase Order #61913 Milo Productions - Carolers
160.00 Purchase Order #62010 J&J Gardens -Fall Buckets
13.50 Linda Bellavance - Postcards
150.00 Purchase Order #61969 Jane Hull - Halloween Bags
1114.76 CL&P - Electric 7/30 - 9/29

5638.26 Total

CURRENT BUDGET BALANCE

11000.00 Rent 8385.00 Purchased Services 436.50 General Supplies 100.00 Building Improvements 5532.58 Electricity 8000.00 Other Utilities

33454.08 Total