



Town of Seymour

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CULTURE & ARTS COMMISSION

Meeting

June 10, 2008

SEYMOUR TOWN HALL
7:00 PM FLAHERTY HALL

Members Present: Judith Simpson Mary Reyher Priscilla Altorelli Jane Hull
Ann Conroy Linda Bellavance (7:25 PM)
Others Present: Jeri Swinik Joelle Anderson

Members Absent: Valerie D'Anna

Meeting called to order at 7:12 PM members recited the Pledge of Allegiance

NO PUBLIC COMMENT

Strand Theater

Contracts: Theater Manager Jeri Swinik reported to the Board the following:

Sunday, June 15, 2008 the Strand Theater will be hosting a "Hungarian Show Revolution", with approx. 500 people in attendance. She has ordered extra refreshments for the concession stand and contacted Sgt. Paul Sadkowski from the Seymour Police Dept. regarding the parking. She also requested that the flowers in the 2 planters outside the Theater be replaced, as the flowers that were in them were very small and not thriving.

She will start to leave the trash out on Mondays for the Town Janitors to pick up each week.

She informed the Commission that John Geloso, the Strand's projectionist, had been hurt in an automobile accident and would be having surgery on his hand. He will be unable to work for a time and she is in the process of contacting other projectionists to cover while he is out. If she has no luck, Judy Simpson suggested that she contact Shelton High School's Theater Dept., as they might know of someone she could hire temporarily.

SONCCA's contract was disgusted and it was realized that no times were mentioned for the rental of the theater on the 30th of July. Linda Bellavance will send the Executive Director, Arlene Swatson, a letter and ask her to contact Jeri regarding their rental agreement. It did seem that a miscommunication was involved with this particular rental and the Commission assured Jeri that it would not book contracts and all inquiries would be sent directly to her.

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Joelle Anderson from J&J Gardens was invited into the meeting to question her about changing the flowers in front of the Strand. She will replace the existing flowers and return the pots to the Strand on Saturday. She reported to the Commission that she was there to replace the dead flowers in the 2 large barrels in front of Town Hall that had died due to lack of watering.

It was also reported to the Board members that an article about the Strand would be in the October 2008 issue of the publication, MARQUEE. This magazine recognizes historical movie theaters around the country. She will be sending pictures of both the inside and outside of the Movie Theater.

Treasurer's Report: Priscilla Altorelli reported the following:

Account Balance **\$2,788.71**

Lease payments have been made through June, 2008

Oil bills: (5/09/08 - **\$1,872.06**)

Electric bills CL&P **\$219.31**

Motion made to change one entry in Treasurer's report from \$450.00 to \$400.00
by Mary Reyher Second Jane Hull

Vote: 5 Yes 0 No 0 Abstain 0 Disqualify

Motion to accept Treasurer's report Mary Reyher Second Jane Hull

Vote: 5 Yes 0 No 0 Abstain 0 Disqualify

Priscilla had spoken to the Head Librarian regarding the co-sponsorship of a fall program featuring the Marvelous Martins. Due to the uncertainty of the library's part, Priscilla will contact her again to get more definite details before the commission commits to getting involved with the program.

Minutes / Secretary's Report: Linda Bellavance stated that she had spoken with Joelle Anderson and told her to replace the dead flowers in the 2 large barrels in front of Town Hall, she also stated that she would write a letter to the Merchants Assoc. requesting them to water the containers on the four corners of Bank and First Street.

It was mentioned to the members of the commission that the flags hanging downtown for the Memorial Day parade were from the same company she had gone to the month before. Explaining that the flags from the Art Contest would be the same size and material.

She reported that a letter had been sent to Dennis Rozum requesting the cleaning of the Park every Friday for the summer Concert Series. It was also noted that he was requested

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to have the Public Works crew clean the Bandstand of the winter debris of leaves, branches and trash and also be sure to pull the grass that was growing on the stairs and platform area.

Approx. 15 – 20 seniors will be attending the concert riding the senior bus. Linda will contact Lucy McConolgue to arrange the transportation.

Vote to accept Secretary's Minutes as read Priscilla Altorelli Second Mary Reyher
Vote: 5 Yes 0 No 0 Abstain 0 Disqualify

Chairman's Report: Judy Simpson, Chairperson, reviewed

****Concert dates and coverage assignments**

****Checks being sent out (Ann Conroy to send in the next few days)**

****Howie Simpson & Frank Conroy will pick-up chairs from Mary Reyher , deliver and store in the Stone House**

**** Mary Reyher will purchase approx. 10 more stacking chairs**


**** Signs downtown will need to be "touched up" due to dates washing off from heavy rains 2 were placed in town ;1 at French and 1 at Stop and Shop Entrance
Also advertised on message board at the Old Middle School**

**** Linda Bellavance to print up flyers with season's schedule and distribute to Town Hall, Town Library and Senior Center**

**** Jane Hull to contact papers and Tele-Media.**

Motion to adjourn made at 8:50 PM by Jane Hull Second Mary Reyher
Vote: 6 Yes 0 No 0 Abstain 0 Disqualify

Respectfully Submitted,


Linda Bellavance