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SEYMOUR CULTURE AND ARTS COMMISSION

MEETING OCTOBER 18, 2017

SEYMOUR TOWN HALL 7:00 PM

THOSE IN ATTENDANCE: JUDY SIMPSON ANN CONROY PRISCILLA
ALTORELLI LINDA BELLAVANCE LISA CHENEY TOM SIMONETTI

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:04 PM

INVITED GUEST: Mr. Tom Simonetti of the Valley Shakespeare Festival spoke on what a performance at the High School would look like. Shows would be presented to both freshman and sophomore classes looking at some time next April or May, 2018. Each performance would run 1 hour and 10 minutes with a 40 minute pre-workshop for the students. Cost would be \$1,200.00 for first one and \$800.00 for each additional. Chairman Judy Simpson explained that all our funds were frozen due to the State budget issues and we at this time cannot commit to any contract. Mr. Simonetti stated that a contract would need to be signed no later than February, 2018, to ensure performances in the spring. Mrs. Simpson stated that we would table this issue until we are notified the funds have been restored.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

SECRETARY REPORT: Minutes from previous meeting read; Priscilla Altorelli made a motion to accept Minutes as presented, second by Ann Conroy **VOTE: 4 YES 0 NO 0 ABSTAIN.**

TREASURER'S REPORT: \$18,059.00 Balance in account to date. . (See Attachment)

Linda Bellavance motioned to accept as presented, second Lisa Cheney **VOTE: 4 YES 0 NO 0 Abstained**

Priscilla Altorelli explained to Commission that Purchase Order had been approved for the October and December Concerts at the Middle School, also a Purchase Order has been Ok'd for a January performance at the Callahan House for the senior citizens. In addition, Mrs. Altorelli reported to the Commission that a \$300.00 purchase order and a \$900.00 purchase order have been on hold for the completion of the work on the lights inside the Obelisk at Broad Street Park and the completion and installation of the medallion for the Fish Ladder.

Chairman's Report: The following dates were given to Commission members for up-coming projects; Saturday, November 11, 2017 meeting at 10:30 to collect the scarecrow frames from participating businesses.

Saturday, November 18, 2017 at 10:30 am, we will decorate the light posts on Bank Street and the train station.

Saturday, October 28, 2017 we will meet at the 4 corners of Bank and First Streets to prepare for the Trick or Treat afternoon festivities. Lisa Cheney will bring a table and tent for sign-in location. She will also be sure to remind Honor Society students about attendance. Linda Bellavance will bring, candy bags and maps for participating stores. Mrs. Bellavance will also write a letter to be given to the merchants regarding scarecrow frame pick-ups and contact Sarah Meeks from the Middle School about a 12:15 gathering time for the Middle school Band.

Mrs. Simpson stated that we have 24 businesses to date participating in Trick or Treat Day!

DECEMBER FIRST SATURDAY: We have secured Frank Haines as Santa. He will arrive on the 6:02 pm train from Ansonia accompanied by elves (volunteers from SHS).

Citizen's Engine will sell hotdogs

A Face painter will set up a booth

The Christmas Parade Comm. Will deliver Santa's sleigh to the Am Legion yard the Friday night before. The sleigh will be used as a photo opt for the children after the Tree Lighting. Elves will help in the crowd control for the pictures.

The Seymour High Chorale Singers will perform on the steps of Attorney Kulas's office from 5:40 -6:10 pm. Immediately following their performance the Victorian Carolers will perform the steps of the Attorney's office until 7:30 PM.

Frank Conroy will get tree donated again this year from the Water Company Ann Conroy will arrange delivery to American Legion property. She will also arrange for the parade's sleigh to be delivered to the Legion's property on Friday.

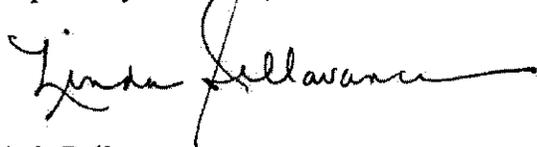
Boy Scouts will be contacted to decorate the tree with the lights and decorations purchased by the Commission. Chairman Simpson will contact Ralph Noel from Troop #11.

Lisa Cheney will secure times with High School students about arrival and performance time.

Motion to adjourn made at 8:10 pm by Priscilla Altorelli and second by Linda Bellavance.

VOTE: ALL IN FAVOR

Respectfully Submitted,



Linda Bellavance

Secretary, Seymour Culture and Arts Commission

EXPENDITURES SINCE SEPTEMBER 12, 2017 MEETING

\$250.00 P.O. 40575 Judy Simpson – Hay Bales, pumpkins, post cards

\$550.00 P.O. 40704 Milo Productions – Carolers

\$91.00 P.O. 40760 Arrow Printers – Halloween Flyers & Envelopes

\$891.00 Total

CURRENT BALANCE

\$17,459.00 Contracted Services

\$600.00 Supplies

\$18,059.00 Total