

Arts & Culture in Public Places in Amherst Regular Meeting
Town of Amherst Municipal Building Councilmembers' Conference Room
Tuesday, April 9, 2024 at 7:00 pm
Approved Tuesday, May 14, 2024

Attendees: Debbie Doucette (co-chair), Sharon Seamans (co-chair), Maureen Cilano, Mary Jo Kahley-Wolf, Burt Merriam, Jenni Colwell, Joy Testa Cinquino, Jacqueline Berger (liaison)

Excused Absences: Penny Wolfgang

Minutes Approval: Burt Merriam motioned and Maureen Cilano seconded to approve the March 2024 minutes with edits.

Chair Report: Courtney Zach will be at Audubon Library on May 29, 2024 from 4-6pm, promoting a children's picture book, which she illustrated.
The banners with the new logo will cost \$75 each. Jacqui Berger will purchase them.
Needed supplies will be procured through Jacqui Berger, using the town's credit card.

Treasurer's Report: The budget from last month is accurate with no modifications.

Grants: A report of grant recipients was provided by Jacqui Berger.
Going forward, the board would like to encourage smaller groups to apply for a grant.
The committee updated the documents governing the process/procedures for the grant process.
The letter to notify grant recipients is being sent by Jacqui Berger at the behest of Brian Kulpa. This is a change in procedure from previous years.

Artstart: Attempts to contact the person in charge of the Williamsville Farmer's Market have been unsuccessful.
A supply list has been provided to Jacqui Berger.

Let's Do Lunch: Several attempts to secure a speaker for July have failed. All other speakers have been confirmed, and menus have been determined.
Jacqui Berger will purchase needed utensils for upcoming lunches.

Traffic Boxes: A sample postcard was provided.
Eight traffic box designs were chosen to paint during this summer.
A different box may be substituted for the Main + Kensington box since it was remounted in a less favorable position.

Motion passed: Joy Testa Cinquino motioned and Maureen Cilano seconded to purchase two hundred postcards in an amount not to exceed \$130.

Concerts: Work is underway to secure the following bands, locations, and dates.

Sunday, July 14 at the Audubon Society Gazebo with Friends of Harmony.
Sunday, August 25 at Island Park with the Canal Street String Band.
Saturday, October 19 at the Harlem Community Center auditorium with the Buffalo Wind Symphony.

Publicity: Joy Testa Cinquino provided a checklist for members to use when asking for advertising of upcoming events.

Old Business: The dismounted painted traffic boxes may have been located. Confirmation is needed.

New Business: In the future the board may consider securing unpainted traffic boxes that have been removed for maintenance to be mounted then painted at Basset Park.

Adjournment: Mary Jo Kahley-Wolf motioned and Jenni Colwell seconded for adjournment at 9:11 pm.

Next Meeting: May 14, 2024 at 7:00 pm.

Minutes were recorded by Mary Jo Kahley-Wolf