



City of Stamford
Arts and Culture Commission Minutes
Stamford Government Center – Stamford - Connecticut
Wednesday – August 23, 2017

The meeting of the Arts and Culture Commission of the City of Stamford held on Wednesday, August 23, 2017, on the 4th floor, Democratic Conference Room, Stamford Government Center, 888 Washington Boulevard, Stamford, Connecticut at 8:14 A.M.

1. **Call to Order - Chairman Ursone** called the meeting to order at 8:14 am
2. **Roll Call**
Present: Lynne Colatrella, Valerie Cooper, Lisa Cuscuna, Angelica Durrell, Marti Etter, Jennifer McIntosh, Lou Ursone, Bonnie Wattles, Michael Moran
Absent:
Ex-officio:
 Representative Randall Skigen, President
 Representative Steven Kolenberg, (R-16)
 Thomas Madden, AICP, Director of Economic Development
Staff: Michael Pollard, Chief of Staff
 Martin Levine, Special Assistant to the Mayor
 Jon Varamo, Economic Development Analyst
3. **Reading and Acceptance of Minutes:**
 On a motion made by Ms. Etter and seconded by Mr. Cuscuna, the Arts and Culture Commission unanimously voted to approve the minutes as presented.
4. **Correspondence**
 - Charles Perry Sculpture @ Stamford Town Center
 - Fernando Luis Alvarez Gallery
 - TJ Allan
5. **Discussion**
 FOI – bring in legal to give a brief presentation
6. **Committee Reports**
 - Arts Inventory – Bonnie Wattles and Valerie Cooper
 Sense of the committee send it back to Norwalk
 Gift Acceptance policy – send to the Commission
 WPA Art – looking to get an adoption program (similar to Norwalk) to restore the WPA art work.
 Inventory listing of on google drive
 Discussion on position on Charles Perry

- Grants – Angie Durrell and Jennifer McIntosh
 - Individual research on grants
 - Create excel document of state and private grants
 - Target on what we are going to use the money for
 - Create a project pipeline to apply for grants
 - Lisa looking for grants to support the commission and not individual organizations
 - Lou- global technology grants
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- Organizations – Lisa Cuscuna and Marti Etter
 - Lisa – send out a questionnaire to list of organizations,
 - Should artist be represented on the website.
 - Will send out list to the Committee
 - Post on Facebook and send out a “blast”
 - Develop a survey to go out to the organizations to get information on them
 - Send out to Stamford mom’s group as second phase

7. Old Business

- Website

Chairperson Ursone asked if the city could set up a website for the Commission on the city’s website. Director Madden noted that he would look into this and that he would get city email addresses for the Commission Members.

8. New Business

1) Burbio presentation

Dennis Roche from Burbio.com gave presentation to the commission on the calendar

2) Municipal Tax on the tickets

Chairman Ursone asked that this item be put on the agenda for discussion next month

3) Gene Burns – doing a study on bells and who manufactured the bell at old town hall.

Pat Coleman – historical society will look into it.

Committee to vet Proposals

Volunteers – Lynn C, Michael M, Bonnie, Terry Smith

Next Agenda

Public discussion – next year

Amy from legal – presentation on FOI

Sept 27 meeting

On motion from Lynn Colatrella and seconded by Mike Moran,
Jennifer McIntosh absent

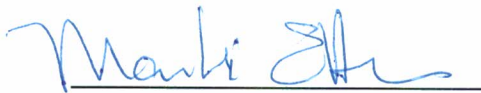
9. Next Meeting

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Arts and Culture Commission of the City of Stamford will be Wednesday, September 27, 2017 and will begin at 8:00 A.M. in the 4th floor, Democratic Conference Room, Stamford Government Center, 888 Washington Boulevard, Stamford, Connecticut.

10. Adjournment

The August 13, 2017 meeting of the Arts and Culture Commission of the City of Stamford adjourned at 9:31 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,



Marti Etter
Secretary
Arts and Culture Commission
City of Stamford