Cultural Commission Meeting Piedmont Hall October 6, 2025 Meeting Minutes

Present: Pat Bachetti, Yvonne Besse, John Kelleher, Ann Levesque, Terri Schmidt, Tim Simoes, Gail Tishler, Terri Titus

Absent: Eileen Fedorowich, Dan Fraro, Giselle Genece, Dave Marti Call to Order: Ann called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Members pledged and saluted our flag.

Secretary's Report: With no corrections or addition Tim motioned to accept the minutes as presented. Terri S. seconded. Approved.

Correspondence: Two notes were sent to community families for allowing the Art Show signs on their lawns and a donation.

Treasurer's Report: Terri S. presented the profit/loss statement. Self explanatory and no questions or discussion. She also presented the results of the Piedmont Art Show and the proposed budget of 2025-2026. Thank you, Terri.

There were no bills for approval at this time.

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Other items for discussion: Tim will be attending a musical showcase Tuesday, October 7 viewing possible bands, etc. for 2026. Terri S. motioned we pay the \$40 entrance fee and that it be put into the budget as a regular yearly expense. Yvonne seconded. Approved.

The Commission thanked Terri S. and her husband, Bob, for hosting our annual end-of-season gathering. Very appreciated.

Pat reported on the recent Art Show. 86 paintings entered and excellent attendance throughout the show. Awards presented at opening reception and good feedback on the artists and this year's juror. Pat also thanked all the members that volunteered to sit at our Art Show this year. Greatly appreciated. Old Business: The contract is signed and received for the KC Sisters who will be entertaining during the Holiday Festival, December 7 at 2-3:30 p.m. at the Somers Congregational Church. A wonderful group and back by request this year. Discussed the possibility of a large poster placed at the senior center entrance and also in the bulletin. Tabled until the next meeting.

The Coffee House returns in 2026, 1-3 p.m., January 11, February 8 and March 8. Entertainers are scheduled and looking forward to a good attendance once

New Business: Next year is the 250th anniversary and celebration of America. We will be hosting the Windham Band for that in July. Tim motioned we pay \$800 to secure the date and Yvonne seconded. Approved.

We have scheduled 9 summer concerts for the summer series this year.

We are starting to secure bands and some possibilities brought forward were: Steve Dunn Band, Skid Marks(50s, 60s, 70s), Night Shift, Score, Dee Riley, Jimmy Mazz, Ethel lee.

We are still looking and scheduling.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45.

The next meeting will be held on November 3, 7:00 p.m., Piedmont Hall. The second Monday is a holiday (Indigenous People's Day).

Respectfully submitted, Pat Bachetti, secretary

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