

Board Meeting

Wednesday, April 20, 2022 12:00 PM Martin County Arts Council Minutes

PRESENT

Chase Conner, Jeremiah Taylor, Gemma Martin, Walter Whitfield, Brenda Holliday, Glinda Fox, Judy Wobbleton, Ila Parker, Alvin Lewis, Cameron Braddy

CALL TO ORDER

Chase Conner called the meeting to order at 12:02.

MINUTES

Gemma made a motion to approve the minutes from the February meeting. Jeremiah seconded the motion. The minutes were passed.

FINANCIAL REPORT

The financial report as of 4/14/2022 showed an income of \$51,050.00 of which \$50.00 was membership dues, \$45,000 for BIRG Grant funds for the Committee of 100, and \$6,000.00 for the Town of Williamston's annual donation for grants. Also shown was an expense of the \$45,000 for the Committee of 100. The balance of the account showed \$27,691.87. Brenda made a motion to approve the financial report. Judy seconded the motion. The financial report was passed.

MAJOR UPDATES

Downtown to River Corridor

Cameron presented four banners designed by Project Graphics including a "Discover Historic Williamston," "Shop downtown Williamston," "Dine downtown Williamston," and "Explore the Roanoke River" with pictures and the Town of Williamston logo. Those present decided that the "Dine" banner should be replaced with a 2nd banner highlighting the river. Cameron will contact Project Graphics and request that change.

Disc Golf Project

No updates from EPA or DEQ. Property owner was supposed to submit a plan of action in April regarding a final testing.

108 West Main

Committee of 100 has put a sign with their logo in the window of the building. Bids have gone out for the roof replacement and flooring. The Committee of 100 has agreed to pay for an engineered floor plan. Roof replacement should begin within the next couple of months.

MARTIN COUNTY ARTS COUNCIL

- 4/9 Dinner and Auction "Dueling Auction" fundraiser went well. Money was raised to help the repointing of bricks.
- 4/21 Fine Arts Show will be opening and staying up until 5/31. Artwork includes handcrafted art such as sculptures, quilts, baskets, etc. as well as traditional art.
- 5/7 The Arts Council is planning to coordinate their 2nd Color Fun Run
- 5/20 Milton Buck with the Platters will be at the Community Stage
- 6/23 Arts Council Annual Dinner and Membership Banquet

WOMAN'S CLUB

The Woman's Club is looking for a new treasurer.

In May, the Women's Club will hold their annual banquet and present their scholarships for MCC.

E.J. HAYES ALUMNI CENTER

EJ Hayes has shown a 20% increase in membership.

6/25 Open Flea Market

EJ Hayes is planning on their annual homecoming celebration in September.

FRIENDS OF THE OLD COURTHOUSE

Spring bulb sales did well and bulb pickup was on April 20th. They are planning on having a fall bulb sale. Details will be provided later in the year.

The decision on this year's Christmas ornament will be decided at their next meeting.

DISCUSSION

Cameron brought up a question from a downtown building owner requesting help with window decorations for compliance with the Downtown Vacancy Ordinance. The group was not interested in providing funding for compliance.

Main Street Markets will be returning at the end of May/first of June and will be held in the Community Theater space rather than Barnes Plaza.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 12:50 PM.