Nashville Arts & Entertainment Commission Meeting July 13th, 2023

Commission Members Present: President Melanie Voland, Secretary Emily Stone, Member Lisa Hall, Member Phil McKown, and Member Paul Hayes (via Zoom). Absent: Member Ann McCann. Also in attendance: Town Manager Sandie Jones, Guests Jim Baker, Pat Harbison, Chris Hugues.

Commission Business

1. Call to order

President Voland called the meeting to order at 10:05 am.

2. Roll Call

Roll call by President Voland.

3. Approval of Minutes – 6-08- 2023

Member McKown moved to adopt the minutes as presented, seconded by Member Hall. All unanimously in favor by roll call vote.

4. Nashville Jazz Festival Proposal – Jim Baker & friends

Discussion on what they've done for retreats in the past few years. Currently on their 3rd week at the Barn Burner. They asked to partner with the NAEC to host a Jazz Festival next year. Ideas suggested were to hold the event on a Friday, Saturday, Sunday in between their two week retreat next summer. Currently they hold a 45-minute jam session after lunch every day during the retreat. An ideal weekend for the festival would be June 7-9, 2024. More discussion is needed.

The Commission loves the idea of diversifying the music scene. Suggestions from President Voland, outline of events, workshops, history. IAC funds will be known at the end of 2023. Discussion of other funding outlets. The Commission asked that the jazz group come back to the NAEC in September with a written proposal.

5. Public dedication of The Heritage Mall Mural

President Voland announced that she would like the NAEC to sponsor a dedication of the recently painted Heritage Mall Mural. Discussion on potential catering from Out of The Ordinary, date and time of the event and number of attendees. The dedication ceremony is tentatively scheduled for September 8, 2023 at 3pm and will be in conjunction with the Art Colony Weekend.

Member Hall made a motion to spend up to \$500 out of the NAEC EDIT Funds to host the Heritage Mall Mural Dedication ceremony. Member McKown seconded the motion. All were unanimously in favor by roll call vote.

6. Cultural District Grant Program and Arts Road 46

President Voland advised they did receive grant funds, (thanks Vice-President Hopkins for watching the IAC annual meeting on YouTube). We will get \$5,000 sometime later this summer

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for us to pay for our strategic planner. She will ask the IAC to grant us the other \$5,000 to help with marketing to prepare to launch with all our individual goals. Next meeting is August 23rd at the Community Foundation (potentially in Bloomington) at 10 am.

7. Review NAEC Budget

No new news.

8. Review June Art Walk / Discuss July Artwalk

CVB had a good response from June art walk staying open late. Sidewalk chalk was a hit.

9. Any other business

Member Hall on behalf of Glory Girl Productions asked for \$1,500 for sponsorship of the oneday Christkindl Market event to be held on Saturday, December 2, 2023. Member McKown made a motion to give \$1,500 out of the NAEC EDIT Funds to sponsor the Christkindl event. Member Hayes seconded the motion. All were in favor by roll call vote with Member Hall abstaining.

10. Adjourn

Member Hall moved to adjourn, seconded by Member McKown. President Voland adjourned the meeting at 11:08am.

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8-10-23