## NASHVILLE ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT COMMISSION MEETING THURSDAY, AUGUST 11, 2022

Commission members present at Town Hall: President Melanie Voland, Vice-President Anabel Hopkins, Member Cathy Martin, Member Emily Stone, Member Ann McCann, and Member Lisa Hall. Members present on Zoom: Member Patrick Bennett and Secretary Andra Walters. Member not present: Member Andi Wilson. Also in attendance at Town Hall: Town Manager Sandie Jones.

## **COMMISSION BUSINESS**

#### 1) CALL TO ORDER

President Voland called the meeting to order at 10:06 a.m.

## 2) ROLL CALL

Roll call by President Voland.

## 3) APPROVAL OF MINUTES – 7–14–2022 MEETING

Vice-President Hopkins moved to approve the 7–14–2022 minutes as presented. Member Hall seconded the motion. All were unanimously in favor by roll call vote.

4) IN INDIANA ARTS GRANT – MURAL PROJECT – HARD TRUTH/BIG WOODS A representative was not present, move forward to September meeting.

## 5) REVIEW NAEC BUDGET

The Commission reviewed their budget and available Hoffman Funds. Secretary Walters advised the commission has \$2,500 left in tax funds. They also have \$2,401.11 Marie in The Woods funds left. Secretary Walters suggests keeping that money in the fund for future maintenance of the sculpture. Secretary Walters suggested the Commission spend their tax funds first to be sure it shows the Council that the NAEC is using the money appropriately.

Member McCann commented that she would like to purchase plaques for the High Lonesome sculpture and other Town owned public art pieces. President Voland suggested using the \$2,401.11 toward plaques and maintenance on public art.

Secretary Walters mentioned that we need to have a discussion on how to use the Hoffman Funds going forward—a big project, several small projects, or spend some each year as needed. Member Martin reviewed how the Hoffman Foundation came about, and a discussion about the dispersion of funds followed.

Discussion of purchasing new banners and a new way to hang those banners at the corner of Main and Van Buren Streets. Member McCann will investigate costs for banners and hanging systems and bring back info to the next meeting.

Member Hall commented on TC Steele Easel public art piece on State Road 46 E and how it would be nice to have that at multiple locations.

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#### 6) REVIEW REQUEST FOR FUNDING

## A. Art Colony Weekend

President Voland advised the Commission has a request from Art Guild for \$500 to sponsor the Annual Art Colony Weekend. Secretary Walters reported that this weekend is intended to be a community wide event working and they with other groups for programming. Discussion.

Member Hall moved to spend \$500 from the NAEC General Fund. Vice-President Hopkins seconded the motion. Secretary Walters recused herself and all other members were in favor by roll call vote.

## 7) DISCUSS NAEC OUTREACH AT CHAMBERFEST BROWN COUNTY

Vice-President Hopkins reported that the Hoosier Artists Gallery will be hosting a reception on August 19, 2022. Wine, Food, and guitar players playing chamber music. The week of ChamberFest begins on Sunday, August 14, 2022, with a guitar duo at the Brown County Presbyterian Church. President Voland encouraged all NAEC members to attend ChamberFest events.

#### 8) FOLLOW UP ON THE INDOT VINYL WRAP PROJECT

Member Bennett advised that Bob Blass had the final art work pieces done and the images have been sent off to Everywhere Signs for printing. No dates for installation yet, but maybe within the next 2–3 weeks. President Voland wants to make sure there will not be temporary signage in front of Hoosier Buddy INDOT box once the vinyl wrap is installed.

## 9) FOLLOW UP ON LEAF PROGRAM DEADLINE

Member Wilson was not present to give an update. The NAEC is waiting to hear who the replacement for the director position at the CVB is.

10) ANY OTHER BUSINESS THAT MAY COME BEFORE THE COMMISSION President Voland reported that she will be speaking with the school board for permission to create a mural on their maintenance building by the football field.

IAC sent out a request for Zoom Cultural District meeting, President Voland will attend. President Voland wants to discuss a strategic planning session to discuss Arts Road 46 Cultural District. All other Cultural Districts have a director, we don't, but this is not a barrier. Member Hall suggested they talk to all cultural districts and position us as a leader for all the districts. She suggested they focus on the Columbus and Bloomington Cultural Districts. Discussion. The Commission agreed to holding an Arts Road 46 meeting with Columbus and Bloomington the second week in November. President Voland suggested they consider making 2023 the year of the Arts Road.

Vice-President Hopkins thanked Member Stone for helping her with the Indiana Fingerstyle Pre-Party. President Voland mentioned NAEC was a sponsor of the Indiana Fingerstyle event. President Voland mentioned that NAEC was not listed in the Back Roads of Brown County Studio Tour brochure. Discussion.

Member Hall gave on update on the Christkindl Market to be held the first weekend in December. They have nine food vendors, and 21 total art vendors which 11 are new arts vendors this year. She thanked the NAEC for their support.

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# 11) ADJOURN

Member Martin moved to adjourn. Member McCann seconded the motion. President Voland adjourned the meeting at 11:09 a.m.

The audio recording was made at the Nashville Arts and Entertainment Commission meeting on 8–11–2022 and is retained in the office of the Town Clerk-Treasurer.

NAEC President Melanie Voland

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Date