

**NASHVILLE ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT COMMISSION MEETING
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2020**

Commission members present by remote access via Zoom: President Michele Wedel, Vice-President Melanie Volland, Treasurer Cathy Martin, Member Jonathan Bolte, Member Mike Hater and Member Andra Walters. Commission member not present: Secretary Anabel Hopkins. Also in attendance by remote access – RiverSong Music Festival Representatives Annie Hawk & Andreas Ioannides and Records Clerk Sandie Jones.

COMMISSION BUSINESS

1) CALL TO ORDER

President Wedel called the meeting to order at 10:02am.

2) ROLL CALL

All Commission members present stated their names.

3) APPROVAL OF MINUTES – 11-12-2020 MEETINGS

Member Bolte made a motion to approve the meeting minutes of 11-12-2020 as presented. Vice-President Volland seconded the motion. All were unanimously in favor.

4) PRESENTATION – RIVERSONG MUSIC FESTIVAL – ANNIE HAWK & ANDREAS IOANNIDES

Annie Hawk introduced RiverSong Artistic Director Andreas Ioannides to the Commission. Mr. Ioannides advised that RiverSong will be hosting ChamberFest Brown County as a six-day event in Brown County. They are collaborating with the Brown County Community Foundation, Indiana University and Brown County High School to put on the event. Mr. Ioannides gave a list of musical events and lectures that will be included in the ChamberFest series.

Ms. Hawk and Mr. Ioannides reported that they have received \$7,500 from the Brown County Community Foundation and \$5,000 from the RiverSong Board members to put on the event. They have also applied for grants to help in the funding. Ms. Hawk advised that their projected budget for ChamberFest is \$27,840 and asked the NAEC for financial help in funding the musical event as well. Discussion.

Member Bolte commented that he is delighted to hear this event is being done. Member Walters agreed that this event will be a wonderful enhancement for the community. President Wedel advised that the Commission will be holding a planning meeting in January and will need to look at their budget and priorities for the upcoming year. Further discussion on funding ideas.

President Wedel advised that she will not be on the Commission next year but offered to facilitate the Commission's planning meeting if they wanted her to do so. She suggested the planning meeting be done in 2-3 Zoom meetings. The Commission asked that President Wedel facilitate the planning meetings.

5) UPDATES ON GRANTS

A. REGION 8 PROJECT GRANT – ANABEL

President Wedel reported that Secretary Hopkins is not available for today's meeting as she is currently videotaping the Barn Quilt segments to be presented virtually to the students next semester.

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B. CULTURAL DISTRICT 2020 FUNDING GRANT

President Wedel advised that they will move forward with Arts Village Brown County brochure. Vice-President Voland reported they will meet with CVB Director Ellis on December 17, 2020 to discuss the brochures.

6) ART WALK UPDATE

A. NOVEMBER EVENT

President Wedel advised that the November Art Walk did not have buskers because of darkness and weather. According to Secretary Hopkins they did have some good sales at the November event.

7) MARKETING UPDATE

Vice-President Voland reported that she is promoting those events that are happening throughout the Arts Village. She is also posting made in Brown County items to support local artists and has been asked to promote local musician websites as well.

Vice-President Voland advised that Facebook has lost a lot of users and she is now working on using Instagram to market the Arts Village.

8) BANNER UPDATE – PROCEDURE UPDATE

Member Walters thanked Member Bolte for making the banner project happen. She voiced concern that the Town is not taking this project over. President Wedel suggested the banner project would be a good topic for the planning meeting. Discussion.

Member Bolte advised that he has thought about hanging the Christmas banners but hasn't been able to get to it as his vehicle has not been available.

9) HIGH LONESOME RELOCATION

President Wedel has applied the first coat of wood hardener to the sculpture. This is a multi-step process and President Wedel will continue to make the repairs. She recommends putting some sort of rubber barrier on the bottom of the sculpture before installing it to prevent future damage.

10) ANY OTHER BUSINESS THAT MAY COME BEFORE THE COMMISSION

President Wedel gave a list of action items to be completed: create a summary of the Commission's funding accounts, consider how much they want to support the ChamberFest, create a list of possible planning meeting dates and review new Commission member applications.

President Wedel thanked all the Commission members for being a part of this commission. She hopes to continue with their friendships and working together.

11) ADJOURNMENT

Member Walters made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Treasurer Martin seconded the motion. All were unanimously in favor. President Wedel adjourned the meeting at 11:31 am.

The audio recording made at the Nashville Arts and Entertainment Commission meeting on 12-10-2020 is retained in the office of the Town Clerk-Treasurer.

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