

**NASHVILLE ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT COMMISSION MEETING
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2018**

Commission members present – President Nancy Crocker, Vice-President Michele Wedel, Secretary Anabel Hopkins, Treasurer Heather Nicholson, Member Jonathan Bolte, Member Michael Fulton, Member Bob Kirlin, Member Cathy Martin, and Member Chuck Wills. Also in attendance – Utility Manager Sean Cassiday and Records Clerk Sandie Jones.

COMMISSION BUSINESS

1) CALL TO ORDER

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

2) ROLL CALL

All Commission members present stated their names.

3) APPROVAL OF MINUTES – 10-11-18 AND 10-17-18 MEETINGS

Treasurer Nicholson made a motion to approve the 10-11-18 minutes as presented. Member Wills seconded the motion. All were in favor of the motion with Member Fulton abstaining from the vote.

Member Fulton made a motion to approve the 10-17-18 minutes as presented. Vice-President Wedel seconded the motion. All were unanimously in favor.

4) REPORT ON INDIANA ARTS HOMECOMING EVENT

President Crocker, Treasurer Nicholson and Member Martin all attended the Indiana Arts Homecoming event in Fort Wayne, Indiana on October 18-19, 2018. Each gave a report on the workshops they attended and how they can use the information going forward. Member Martin noted that the Nashville Arts and Entertainment Commission is doing very good work especially without a paid staff person. Overall, they thought the workshop was excellent and encouraged more Commission members to attend next year.

5) COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. PERFORMING ARTS

• PAVILION CONCERT SERIES FINAL REPORT

Treasurer Nicholson reported that the committee worked hard on this year's concert series and geared it for both tourist and locals. She commented that the new speakers worked great and allowed the sound to carry to all four corners of the Village Green. She thanked the Brown County Community Foundation for the grant that allowed the Commission to purchase the speakers and equipment. Treasurer Nicholson noted that two of the five concerts were rained out. They employed King Snake to do the sound engineering for the 1,4,5 Band concert and this worked out very well. She added that some BETA students were on-site for this concert to help with the set up and tear down which was very helpful. President Crocker thanked Treasurer Nicholson for all her hard work on the concert series this year.

President Crocker commented that the concert series takes a lot of work and time. She would like to have more volunteers work on this event and has already heard from three people willing to volunteer for next year.

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Treasurer Nicholson advised that the earlier concert time of 5pm was good but recommended starting at 4:30pm next year. Member Wills agreed that the earlier time would be good for the bands and audience. He noted that they need a better plan on what to do in case of rain. Member Wills will have the committee meet and put in writing a final report with recommendations for next year's concert series.

B. MARKETING

• ARTWALK YEAR END REPORT & EPIC BIKE FESTIVAL

Secretary Hopkins advised that the Art Walk went well this year. She has one gallery that will help in doing the publicity next year. Secretary Hopkins noted they will have to decide who or what group will be in charge of organizing the walk next year. President Crocker and Member Martin thanked Secretary Hopkins for her hard work on the well done Art Walk this year.

Treasurer Nicholson commented that the Epic Bike event at the Brown County State Park was great! Secretary Hopkins advised that Jane Ellis of the CVB suggested that the NAEC be a part of this event and hand out the bumper stickers. She noted that the stickers were well received and that they even sold some art work at the event. Secretary Hopkins advised they still have lots of bumper stickers leftover and possibly enough to hand out at next year's event.

Secretary Hopkins reported that the art show at the Brown County Playhouse was taken down the end of October. They sold some art work during the Playhouse's show as well. She would like to see better lighting installed if they have a show again.

C. PROJECTS

• ART EXPLORE APP UPDATE

Vice-President Wedel reported that she has been meeting with the IU student interns that are working on the app and work is continuing. She would like the students to attend an NAEC meeting in a few months to give a demonstration of the app.

D. PLACEMAKING

• BANNER PROJECT

Member Bolte reported that he is working on a way to make the banners not flip or fall with the winds. He will also be redoing the brackets to make them stronger and will rehang the banners. Member Bolte advised that his daughter will be hemming the Christmas banners and that he plans to hang these banners after Thanksgiving.

Discussion of banners showing artists at work that the Commission approved to purchase at last month's meeting. Vice-President Wedel took the photographs for the banners and will get those photos downloaded for the committee to choose from. Once the photos are chosen, Member Bolte will get the banners ordered before the end of the year.

The Commission members commented that they are very impressed with the banners and all the work that Member Bolte has done.

Member Bolte commented that the Brown County High School drama department is exceptional. President Crocker noted that the Town is not connected with the drama department but they should be. Secretary Hopkins suggested that the NAEC should support them next year, and Member Bolte

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agreed. President Crocker asked if the school plays should be included in the CVB posts on behalf of the NAEC, and the Commission members thought they should be.

E. PUBLIC ART

• CROSSWALKS

Utility Manager Cassiday reported that he will be meeting with Bryce of AAA Striping this afternoon to spec out the crosswalks for the leaf design. President Crocker asked to join them as well. Utility Manager Cassiday explained that the stencil would be 6' x 12' and 1/10-inch-thick and will have a one year warranty.

President Crocker noted that stencil will only have leaves and another stencil will have the words. Once they have the specs, the committee will approve the design, and the stencil will be ordered.

F. FINANCE

• ALL INVOICES FOR 2018 MUST BE TURNED IN BY DECEMBER 13, 2018

Records Clerk Jones advised all invoices must be submitted by December 13, 2018 in order to be paid out of this year's funds.

6) ANY OTHER BUSINESS THAT MAY COME BEFORE THE COMMISSION

President Crocker spoke about the Hometown Collaboration Initiative and reported that its members have decided to create a leadership co-op.

President Crocker asked the Commission if they would like to do an end of the year retreat. Treasurer Nicholson and Secretary Hopkins would rather have the retreat in January 2019.

President Crocker advised that although she will not be on the NAEC next year, as a Town Council member, she still plans on attending NAEC meetings. Member Fulton encouraged anyone interested the Nashville Arts and Entertainment to attend the retreat in January whether they will be appointed to the Commission or not.

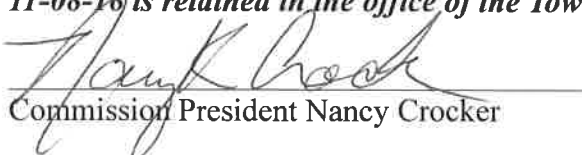
President Crocker reported that Town Council President Buzz King had a heart attack last Saturday and is currently in the hospital. She asked that they all keep him in their thoughts and prayers.

Member Wills reported that the 2019 Indiana Fingerstyle Guitar festival theme will be the Ladies of Fingerstyle Guitar. They will have three women that have won the International Festival to be a part of the 2019 IFG. Member Wills added that WTIU will be filming a documentary of the 2019 IFG as a companion piece to the Ken Burns documentary.

7) ADJOURNMENT

Member Fulton made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Secretary Hopkins seconded the motion. President Crocker adjourned the meeting at 11:06am.

The audio recording made at the Nashville Arts and Entertainment Commission meeting on 11-08-18 is retained in the office of the Town Clerk-Treasurer.


Commission President Nancy Crocker

12-13-18
Date