

SOMERS POINT ARTS COMMISSION
Meeting –November 24, 2014 – 6:00 pm
Somers Point City Hall
Agenda

Members – K. Arleth, J. Cellucci, L. Gazsi, L. Gregory, S.Hastings, W. Hurst, S. McGuigan, D. Mohr,
G. Sykora, R. Triboletti

Approval of minutes of October 20, 2014 - Lois Gregory

Business

1. RFQ Committee for Mural Artist - Donna, Sean, Linda – Update
RFQ reposted on city website 10-15-14; deadline 12-18-14
Additional information/ discussion /emails received from possible applicants

2. RFQ Committee for Poet Laureate – Kathy, Lois, Sean
 - RFQ received at City Hall 11-14-14
 - Reviewed 11-17-14 by Sean and Kathy
 - Recommendation to name Maria Provenzano the Poet Laureate; discussion; vote

3. Fundraising – Follow up on Plan of Action –
 - Somers Point Economic Dev. Advisory Commission –Funds will be officially voted on at their 11-5-14 meeting; follow up; \$2500 committed as previously listed
 - Grant Applications – Kathy, Donna
Art Grant 2015 – still outstanding; requested \$5,000
 - Corporate sponsors/donations – Donna and Kathy – 9-16; 10-8
Cape Bank Charitable Foundation – Letter of Nov. 7 received; the grant request of \$5000 was not approved
South Jersey Industries – Grant application – Sally - will include the interpretive piece; Follow up; deadline
Fox Chase Charitable Foundation – 501c3 required; supports arts /culture; outstanding; requested \$10,000; no response to date
 - Mercantile list - Kathy and Lois; Kathy – continued to send out requests and make follow up phone calls; responses - **Funding List attached**
 - **Individuals’ requests for donations – list of names for donations – Chair will send the letter; members please send list names, addresses to Kathy.**

4. Promo opportunities –News releases; Need photo-op with Shore Medical Center, Shoprite, others?

5. Plan ahead for Passion Vines Wine –tasting event in February or March to “unveil” the design; introduce the mural artist, etc. A special license is required for a wine-tasting; SPHS agreed to be the 501c3;
 - decide on the date and place; consider SPHS dates events so as not to compete
 - first approval by Council; then to State; send 3-4 weeks ahead of date
 - organize a committee for all details/needs/activities of the event

6. Arts Commission Funds – Council Resolution to approve a rider so that our \$\$ can be separated from the Recreation Commission; for better bookkeeping
7. Other ongoing business
 - Social media fund-raising – Discussion and action - Jeanette
 - Contact with Stockton re mural sponsor – Donna; not a possibility for funds
 - Somers Point Recreation Commission – Sean – Jeanette; contribution of \$500.00
 - Follow up with meeting with Atty. Franklin – Richard Somers Memorial Park
 - Passive recreation
 - Green space/Official Park

Next Meeting – 4th Monday – December 22, 2014 6 pm; we do need a meeting