Cultural Arts Commission
Minutes

April 4, 2013

Commission Members Present:, Carolyn Hill, Doug Holzrichter, Alexia Monaco, Jan Schmuckal, Trish Tkach, Kent Gallagher, and Tim Vetang

Absent: Mary Ann Diggory, Vic Portincaso

Also in Attendance: Sharon Jones with RiverPark, and Paul Evans, Economic Development

1. Call to Order:

Mr. Vetang called the meeting to order at 7:11 pm.

2. Amendments to Agenda

There being no amendments to the agenda, the agenda stood as presented.

3. Approve Minutes – March 19 2013 Special Meeting Minutes

Motion was made to approve the March 19, 2013 Special Meeting minutes, by Ms. Hill and seconded by Mr. Gallagher.
Motion passed.

4. Review Financial Reports – March 2013 - Holzrichter

- No Financial Reports were submitted because there was very little activity in March

5. Review & Approve 2013-2014 Budget

- No Changes to budget

6. Update on Events

a. Dancing with Geneva Stars (Feb 9, 2013) – Carolyn

- Ms. Hill asked if the City could burn some DVD's of the 2013 event and run the tape on Channel 10. Mr. Evans said he would check and get back with her on that. Ms. Hill and Mr. Holzrichter reconciled their financials for the 2013 DWGS event. Mr. Holzrichter reported that the Gross Income was $36,854 and the Total Expenses were $18,127. This results in a net income of $18,727 for the event. Cultural Arts will net $14,046 and the Geneva Academic Foundation will net $4,682. Ms. Hill made a motion to send a check to the Geneva Academic Foundation in the amount of $4,556.87 (excludes $125 in income already received by GAF.

b. Film Festival March 2013 – Tim Vetang

- Chairman Vetang made a report on the 2013 Film Festival. He estimated around 400 people attended the festival. The week nights had some shows that were nearly sold out. The GFF has about 5-6 film representatives available to discuss their films after the showing. The festival received an increase in sponsorships. A couple of comments were that subtitled films were hard to read when there were people in front of you and the publicity and schedule for the festival were slow in getting out.

c. Shakespeare in the Park – Gail Gaboda

No Report

d. Riverpark Concerts – Sharon Jones

Sharon Jones visited the Cultural Arts Commission to review the proposed program for Get Outdoors (GO) Day which is June 8, 2013 from 1-4 pm. Events planned for GO Day include a poetry or photo contest, music by folk singer Lee Murdock, nature treasure hunt, Geneva High Art Club sketching, guided tours of RiverPark's native gardens and special features.

- June 8 - Celebrate Great Get Outdoors (GO) Day
- July 14 – Geneva Jazz Ensemble
- July 21 – Prairie Brass Band
- July 28 – Live Radio Theater

e. Art Fair – Carolyn

No Report

f. Steeple Walk Dec

Mr. Gallagher reported that Scott Stevenson, organist from Methodist Church has agreed to play at this year's Steeple Walk.

7. Other Business

a. Bike Rack Art Program Update – Jan

- Ms. Schmuckal reported that two bike rack sculpture proposals were received. The Commission was disappointed in the number of submittals and indicated the RFQ may have been too hard to find for artists. The Commission is recommending to carry one of the submittals over to the next round and reject the other submittal. Mr. Evans indicated that the City would rather see an award made now rather than carried over.
- Ms. Schmuckal said she would revise the dates and the submittal to make it more artist-friendly. The Commission will work on more outreach this time.

b. Discuss Fundraising Ideas

The Commission will focus its May 2 meeting on its next fundraising event. Ms. Monaco had developed a fundraising outline and will lead the discussion.

8. New Business

No Report

9. Public Comments

No Report

10. Adjourn

Motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Holzrichter and seconded by Mr. Gallagher at 9:10 pm.

Motion passed.

Next meeting: Thursday, May 2, 2013