



*City of Bristol
Arts & Culture Commission*

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Ladies and Gentlemen:

The regular meeting was held on Wednesday, June 5, 2024, at 6:30 PM in Meeting Room 1-3 in City Hall, 111 North Main Street, Bristol, CT 06010.

1. Call to Order

Chair Lewandoski called the meeting to order at 6:17 p.m.

a. Attendance

Members Present:

Chair Walter Lewandowski
Commissioner Andrea Adams
Commissioner April Dews
Commissioner Juliet Norton
Commissioner Maria Salice
Commissioner Nigel Wynter

Absent:

City Council Liaison Cheryl Thibeault
Arts & Culture Supervisor Arianna Therriault
Deputy Superintendent Sarah Larson

2. Approval of Minutes

a. Approval of Minutes: May 1, 2024 City Arts and Culture Regular Meeting Minutes

MOTION: Made by Commissioner Adams to Approve the May 1, 2024, Regular Meeting Minutes.

Seconded by Commissioner Norton, all in favor; motion carried.

3. Public Participation

Julie Crist, 55 Seminary St, Bristol, attended the meeting expressing her interest in getting involved with the Bristol Arts and Culture Commission. She had recently moved from Pennsylvania with her family and wanted to get involved with the arts in Bristol.

4. Arts and Culture Supervisor's Report

a. Financials

The Arts and Culture Supervisor, Arianna Therriault, discussed the current Financial Report. She discussed where finances currently standing with the end of the Fiscal Year; discussion followed.

i. Final Expenses for the Year

The Arts and Culture Supervisor Therriault, stated there was still \$6808 remaining in the 2023-2024 budget. She gave suggestions on where the budget could be utilized. There were some ideas of a Photo Booth or Backdrop for the Downtown Live Theater with props, the Arts and Culture Commission to sponsor shows at Downtown Live for the Ada Twist Show, and the Summer Concert Series; discussion followed.

MOTION: Made by Commission Adams to Spend the Remaining Funds in the Art and Culture Budget.

Seconded by Commissioner Wynter, all in favor; motion carried.

b. Project Updates

Chair Lewandoski presented the Project Updates; discussion followed.

c. Downtown Live Updates

The Arts and Culture Supervisor Therriault, presented the Downtown Live Updates. She shared updates on upcoming shows such as Ada Twist Show, Jimmy and the Parrots, The Halloween Spooktacular, and the The Daily Show Comedy Tour in November. Supervisor Therriault also presented an update on the Bid for Concessions at the theater; discussion followed.

5. Chairman's Report

None.

6. Old Business

a. Cultural District Festival

The Arts and Culture Supervisor Therriault, presented the Updates on the Cultural District Festival. She presented the outstanding items for the festival; discussion followed.

MOTION: Made by Commissioner Adams to Make a Payment to Karina and Lexi for the Entertainment at the Cultural District Festival.

Seconded by Commissioner Salice; all in favor; motion carried.

b. Carousel Adoption Horse; Name Selection

The Arts and Culture Supervisor Therriault, opened the discussion about a Name Selection for the Carousel Adoption Horse. It was suggested to open the name selection to a vote with the public; discussion followed.

c. By Commissioners

None.

7. New Business

a. By Commissioners

City Council liaison Thibeault stated that Supervisor Therriault's position is now a full-time position.

Commissioner Norton asked for an update on pamphlets for the city, including more of the Arts and Culture District; discussion followed.

Chair Lewandoski asked about the possibility of fundraising for a project. Deputy Superintendent Larson discussed how the commission could go about fundraising for future projects.

8. Reports and Committee Reports

a. City Council Liaison Updates

City Council Liaison Thibeault presented updates on the upcoming plans for the new Carrier buildings, new investors looking into the building where Better Half Brewing was, and on the opening of the Bristol Farmers Market will be on June 22, 2024; discussion followed.

9. Adjournment

MOTION: Made by Commissioner Adams to adjourn the meeting at 8:02 p.m.

Seconded by Commission Wynter, all in favor; motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,
Amaris Estrada
Recording Secretary
City Arts and Culture Commission

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