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WELCOME 6:33 pm Ann and Sally welcomes everyone at 14 Cedar Street.Call to order.

AJ does the **ROLL CALL**: Members Present: **Margaret Leahy (ML)**, **Ann Johnson(AJ)**, **Amy Vander Els, (AV)**, **Sally Nutt(SN)**, **Aimie Westphal, Library Director (Liaison)Laura Kozlowski (LK)**, **Rachel Wallace (RW)** John Moynihan(JM)

Not attending : **Randy Herman(RH)****Madison Barnes(MB)****Brian Riley(BR)**

Approval of May 6 minutes with amendments: ML seconds AJ, unanimous

Public Comment: Amesbury Green team wants to set up a 2nd hand art shop to reduce art waste and are looking for a space for her booth. She wants to send funds back to us from what she makes at the Open Studios. We suggested City Hall.

6:44pm Treasurer report (AV): Chamber requested their reimbursement. 12270.27 grant account. Expenses 28,091.52 ML has a reimbursement request . She has ordered rack cards for \$50.99.

AV makes a motion to pay ML the 50.99, AJ seconds, Unanimous.

Early October we have a Tuesday community fundraiser at FlatBreads.

6:42 Marketing Report: ML: talked with Chamber and looking to reschedule a breakfast /ACC presentation. July 30 is the date that is open. Meeting with Chamber, June 12.

Pop up Market/sidewalk sales onThursday nights during the summer with the live music, good for us to set up a booth to advertise ACC. ML is looking to pass off the newsletter and social media to someone else this coming year.

6:54: Grant report: ML we have about 75 responses from the survey that went out last week. We will keep it going for a month, and hang up some flyers around town. Asking all of us to share on social media accounts.

This summer there are a few things that are happening that we don't have dates for : (for marketing purposes) :COA Senior Prom, Henna Alchemy at the Library, Salem's Creepy Curses (zoom?),Classic Stories in the Theater in the Open,

7:09 Open Studios:(AJ): We did get a response from Salem Trolley. Their rates are going up slightly and Tammy will send a quote soon.

Would like to get a committee together to bring others into this with the ACC members. SN said that on the city website, event forms are online to fill out. **Motion to set open studios Nov 9 & 10 2024 ML, AJ**

seconds, Unanimous.

Sub committee groups: Marketing, Tracking Artists(AV), Design(ML) Volunteer (SN) Sponsorship, (need more to make more money since last year we broke even)

Increase Rates for Artists/sponsors:

1800-2000 Trolley sponsor

500- 750 Signage stops

250-300 Friend of the tour

40-50 Artist fee

60-70 Guest artist

SN makes a MOTION TO APPROVE RATE INCREASE: AJ, second JM, Unanimous

Rachel said maybe we can make lower rate for space at a new location(guinea pig space) ie. for the Senior Center or Mill 77.

Cultural Center: dislikes: volume had to be low, **too dark**, propped up doors but got cold, not a lot of foot traffic, people thought it was too far...not very good vibe. Guest artists tend to complain more than local artists in their own spaces.

New studios being built above Barewolf!

We should ask Mill 77 and COA to host artists early to see if we can do a trolley stop.

This would add two more trolley stops. ML will create two proposed maps.

7:29 Art at City Hall: AJ Had a great turnout, largest number of submissions, a bunch of new ones. Over 60 applicants. Next show we are thinking about doing a open studios preview. All of the artists who are on the tour can submit a small painting with a map. Aug 15 is the end of the show, will put up Chain Bridge show and then once we know the artists we will show in September. Talked to the Mayor about getting more hooks. Labeling with the Open Studio artist will show where they will be during the weekend of OS.

7:33pm Public Art: SN talked with Barbara Lorenc about hanging a show for Jeffrey or finding a place around time. Mural at Ames Industrial, Kate has to reschedule the meeting until early July.

Lake Gardner festival was a success, someone donated a beach wheelchair.

Mayor recognized CNA stores for funding Kayak racks, some dedications and informational sessions.

7:35pm Poet Laureate: (AJ) BL not here

Lainie passed away on the 31, the PL group is trying to plan a memorial at the Whittier in the near future but no dates yet. We will ask if we should post something about the memorial.

7:40pm New Business: AJ:

Pride people, looking to see if we are doing a booth, June 30. ACC has had a table there for 3 years in a row for the Pride Festival to provide information about what we do. Maybe paint the stairs on June 30 in Pride colors? Maybe have a rendering and get people to sign up to paint at a different date.

Or maybe make an art project at the Cultural Center to have someone paint what Pride means to them?

7:49 pm Matters not reasonably anticipated in advance of the meeting: How to let others know about the Open Studios: need to email and ask everyone to sign up for something. Make a note that half the council will not be onsite during the event. Need people to help out.

7:55pm Dates on the Calendar : Will need to email about the next dates for July 2, or 9 to make sure we have enough members who are around for July 2.

June 30 Pride day

Art on the lawn series June 26

Family band fun: June 27

Kids music June 7, July 12

8:02pm Motion to adjourn AJ, ML seconds...Unanimous.

Laura b. Kozlowski