

VILLAGE OF MAMARONECK ARTS COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
Wednesday, April 10th, 2019

Village Hall Conference Room, 123 Mamaroneck Avenue

1. **Members and guests:**
  - a. Members present: *Chari Allison, Jacqueline Meier, Dena Schumacher, Jamie Weisinger, Jane Dorian, Marina Kiriakou (via phone)*
  - b. Volunteers and guests present: *Melissa Moak, Solange De Santis, Joycemarie Washburn*
  - c. Village of Mamaroneck Board Liaison: *Nora Lucas*
  - d. Absent: *Robin Campbell, Kate Colson*
  - e. Guest: *Jerry Barberio, Village Manager*
2. Meeting called to order at 7:07 PM by *Meier*
3. *Allison* and *Weisinger* motioned to approve Minutes for March as corrected.
4. **Mural Project:**
  - a. *Meier* gave a mural update. Five international artists and one local artist were selected. The artists will start their work on April 11.
  - b. *Meier* discussed the need for donations and asked members to share information with friends and she will post information on our Facebook page.
  - c. Recreation department will do the spray painting activities on the scheduled days.
  - d. Volunteers are needed for films to welcome participants, introduce the film, run the film and end with questions or discussion. Most films will take place in the Community Room of the Library. *De Santis* volunteered to introduce the film on Sunday, April 14. *Dorian* volunteered to introduce the 5 pm film on Monday, and *Meier* will introduce the 3 pm film on Tuesday. *Allison* will introduce the film at 11 am on Thursday.
  - e. On April 18<sup>th</sup> at 6 pm, members can meet the artist, Center Avenue and Ogden.
  - f. *Allison* discussed the filming of every Meet the Artist by LMC-TV. *Schumacher* said a request needs to be made and she will talk to staff so there is coverage. *Allison* also requested that LMC-TV cover the Art Walk on April 20 at 1 pm at Columbus Park. *Schumacher* asked if stipends are available for the filming and members discussed the need for stipends.
  - g. *Allison* announced a closing reception at the library at the end of the Art Walk.
  - h. *Meier* sent information about the Mural Project to Town Planner, Arts Westchester, etc. *De Santis* will post flyers on the Avenue.

**5. Summer Nights on the Sound:**

- a. *Allison* discussed the new day for the concerts in the summer: concerts will take place on Thursday evenings instead of Sunday evenings. The new day requires the additional costs of renting a stage for each concert. *Allison* also reported that the bands wanted a little more money this year, and she summarized the budget for Summer Nights, including the Hudson Valley Shakespeare Festival performance.
- b. The Village will pay for the July 4<sup>th</sup> concert sound system and *Allison* will send out an RFP. There will also be a stipend for LMC-TV to film each concert.
- c. *Allison* noted that she has to encumber funds and *Lucas* will help her with the best way to do this.
- d. *Allison* said that direct mailing will be used to advertise the concerts and the cost is approximately 1500 dollars. *Allison* reported that *Colson* is getting started with a press release and is working with *De Santis*, *Campbell* and *Dorian*. *Campbell* is working on the Mamaroneck song and a recommendation was made to sing it at a Village Board meeting.
- e. *Weisinger* showed the artwork she designed for posters and flyers. Members discussed color and style. *Weisinger* requested a high quality image from the Hudson Valley Shakespeare Festival to use on website and posters. Signs and banners will be sent to the printer around the second week of May. *Weisinger* wants to look at last year's banner which *Allison* has and then she will discuss needed changes with Signs Plus. The proposed date for banner display is the week of June 3<sup>rd</sup>.
- f. *Jerry Barberio*, the new Village Manager, answered members' questions about the sites for banners and signs. *Allison* asked *Barberio* to look over the contract for the Hudson Valley Shakespeare Festival.
- g. *Kiriakou* suggested that the Council work with the Fire Department and the new chief to collaborate for July 4<sup>th</sup> and possibly invite the chief to the next Council meeting.

**6. Mosaic Community Project:**

- a. *Schumacher* reported on the Marine Education Center walkway project. The MEC wants a rendering of the plans and *Schumacher* has met with them.
- b. *Schumacher* will discuss plans with the Village Parks Department and find out what is necessary for mounting stones, tiles, etc.

**7. New Business**

- a. *Kiriakou* proposed collaborating with Jacob Burns on a film program featuring short films of young filmmakers from all over Westchester to be screened at the Emelin.
- b. The films would be curated and might result in 5 filmmakers for an hour and half program. *Allison* said that we do not have money in our budget to sponsor a film program presently. *Allison* suggested *Kiriakou* discuss with the Emelin and create a budget.
- c. *Schumacher* proposed an annual event like a film series and partnering with other organizations, thus having film as a branch of the Arts Council.
- d. *Schumacher* reminded members to complete the LMC-TV survey to give the organization feedback for planning. Everyone completing the 10 minute survey has a chance to win a \$100 gift card.
- e. *Schumacher* announced that she is moving out of the Village and thus will not be able to remain a member of the Council, but can continue as a volunteer.
- f. *Dorian* proposed two possible members for the Arts Council: Violet Linder, fine artist, and Elizabeth O'Rourke, poet and writer.

**8. Adjournment:**

Allison and Weisinger motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:50 PM. All in favor.