

Monthly Meeting Minutes
January 9, 2012
Town Hall Conference Room

Call to Order: 7:00 p.m.

Roll Call: Commissioners/Town Representatives present: Arnie Cicchetti (Chair), Linda Lujan (Secretary), Joan Stone (Treasurer) Elizabeth Romanoff, Ervin Grinberg, Dave Donery (Town Liaison), Vicky Sarkisian (youth commissioner) Katie Rice Jones

Absent: Joann Hartley

Guests: Stacey Kamp

November Agenda: Approved.

November Minutes: Approved.

Public Expression: The Public is welcome to address the Commission at this time on matters not on the agenda. Please be advised that pursuant to Government Code Section 54954.2, the Commission is not permitted to take action on any matter not on the agenda, unless it determines that an emergency exists, or that the need to take action arose following posting of the agenda. Each speaker is limited to 3 minutes and a spokesperson for an organization is limited to 5 minutes.

Stacey Kamp, representing the Marin Open Studios asked how the SAAC can assist in getting information out about the Marin Open Studios. Stacey spoke about how the Marin Arts Council is being liquidated and that the artists are taking over the Open Studios. They are looking for public support and have partnered with Marin Magazine, along with AT&T providing signage. The first showings will be in May 2012. Artists need to sign up by January 20, 2012. Information will be going out to the press.

The SAAC will post this information on their Facebook page. Additional information can be found on marinopenstudios.com.

Stacey commented that she would like to be a member of the commission and will make application.

Treasurer's Report: Joan presented the commission with a breakdown of 2011 balance and spending along with the 2012 budget.

MIP/Beatle: Elizabeth has secured the following for Music in the Park

July 14 - Beatles	July 22 - Michael LaMachia/Organic Jive Collective
July 29 - Campbell Soup Jazz	August 5 - Bob Ford/The Ring
August 29 - Revolver	

Elizabeth asked for assistance on getting the word out to local musicians in order to secure a band for August 12. She also spoke to the importance of having different bands apply so that the music presented in 2012 covers different genres.

Ervin will send out a press release but first would like to speak with musicians he knows to see if they are interested. Arnie and Katie also had musicians in mind.

Ervin will speak with Peter for confirmation about doing Beatles in 2012. Ervin committed to having this completed by February SAAC Meeting. The question was asked if there is a back up plan if Peter does not want to participate this year. There is no plan at this time. It was mentioned that if a band that was not from Ross Valley was considered that Kay Coleman (San Anselmo Town Council) would make the decision if they could be used.

Marketing: Vicky would like to post images on Facebook of the work from the artists that are showing at the MCR. It was determined that that can be done.

A Calendar should be put in place that can be updated with events.
The need to update the artists list and information was discussed and how this can be accomplished. Information needs to get to artists to register with the SAAC and update information that is already in place.
Arnie asked Katie to look at the current SAAC Web page and Facebook to see how they could be "meshed" together.
Ervin will work on a form to put on website and write copy to be sent to artists.
Katie and Vicky to work together on Facebook updated.
Vicky talked about albums on facebook for each artist. She also mentiion that youth artists need to have a venue to display their art.

Holiday Event: The 2011 Art Walk started on December 2. It was determined that for 2012 the process should start in October to ensure a successful show.

Coffee Roasters: All is going well. Janice Best is displaying from December 3 to Feb 3.

2012 Calendar of Events: Ervin will set up Google Calendar in order to post and updates events. Also a Gmail account for registration of artists.

New Town Hall Entry System: Since the 911 Center will be moving out of Town Hall a phone along with a camera will be in place that will go to the dispatch Center at Twin Cities PD. They will then allow access. The meeting room may change to the museum area of Town Hall

Commission comments & questions, requests for future agenda items: Katie has made contact with Drake High School about the Niam Scholarship and has requested this be put on the agenda for February. Arnie will send Katie the application form.
Elizabeth asked that the minutes be sent out earlier, Linda agreed to send out earlier.
Linda requested that an agenda item for Feb meeting be that each commissioner talks about what talents they can bring to the SAAC as a commissioner.

Adjourned: 8:10 PM

**Next Meeting:
7PM
Monday
February 13, 2012**

Carried over from previous meeting.

***Pictures of Press Release:** Ervin requested that he receive pictures of the MIP/Beatles events for publication in the Marin Magazine. (held from April meeting)

***Stapleton Town Players:** This has been tabled until a presentation from the Stapleton Players can be scheduled.

***Creek Park Banner:** It was suggested that a banner be placed over the Creek Park entrance. Dave will see if the town will help provide.

***Drop Box:** Please use this to post SAAC documents/information.

***Naim Scholarship:** This will be discussed further in Sept. meeting.

