

**Monthly Meeting Minutes
San Anselmo Arts Commission
Thursday, November 12, 2009
Town Hall Conference Room**

Call to Order: 7:00 p.m.

Roll Call: Commissioners present: Arnie Cicchetti (Chair), Joan Stone (Treasurer/Vice-Chair), Sylvie Reynolds (Secretary), Linda Henley (her last meeting before her resignation/move to another state), Dave Donery (Town Liaison).

The Agenda: Approved.

The Minutes: Approved October minutes.

Public Expression: Ervin Grinberg has been approved as an art commissioner, but was not present at this meeting.

Treasurers Report: Joan is taking over as Treasurer. She suggested some improvements to the presentation of the treasury report, and will present the new format at the next meeting. For instance, the Art & Wine Festival should not be in Revenue but in Expenditure column. It was also decided to eliminate the Fundraiser as a Revenue.

Beatles & MIP 2010: From the new balance sheet, it becomes clear that the Beatles show finances MIP for \$8,735.00 instead of this amount representing an Actual Revenue. It seems that Deb is going to re-apply as a commissioner, and will continue chairing these two events.

Art Show/Ross Valley Winery: It was confirmed that this exhibit is on, starting the 3rd Thursday of January and continuing for 3 months until the 3rd Wednesday of March. A call to artists has been advertised in the Pacific Sun, the IJ (calendar section) and the Ross Valley Reporter. Nancy contacted the artists who are already on our web site. Linda provided us with a letter containing all necessary info to email to the exhibiting artists. So far, 6 artists have applied. If not enough artists apply, we may accept larger sizes or more works per artist. We need to come up with our labels with names/titles/prices on foamcore. We also need to make a master list of the exhibit with columns, so Paul (RVW) can record the sales on Excel.

Before the reception (Friday, January 15th, from 7 to 9 pm), Michael Loeb agreed to make a postcard available to artists to invite friends/family to the group show by using Kinko's and Jpegs taken at Ross Winery, with the date of the exhibit: from Friday, January 15, 2010 to Wednesday, April 14, 2010. Everything must be ready by January 13th. Arnie will be in charge of hanging the show.

Country Fair Day Review: The commissioners all agreed to keep the Country Fair Day as one of our events to sponsor in the years to come. Linda suggested that merchants would offer \$3.00 to \$5.00 coupons to bring people to their stores.

Empty Storefronts on San Anselmo Ave: Arnie reported that he talked to Argo Thompson of the Marin Arts Council who knows how to accomplish contacting the landlords, negotiating use and terms. Arnie will work with Argo on this issue. Ellen

French, Wendy Goldberg, Jeff Brady and a group are now exhibiting at the Kaufman's building. Sylvie offered to contact Ellen to see what the cost is, and whether we might follow the same venue.

Commission comments & questions, requests for future agenda items: We will need to discuss the RVW exhibit and the storefront possibilities at the December meeting.

For next year, It was decided to focus on the Three Bridges and Ross Valley Garden Tour events. It was suggested to check with Tamalpais Bank, Seawood, Fleetfeet and Ludwig's as possible sponsors.

The Stapleton Ballet School needs to be contacted for potential performance.

Next meeting: The next meeting will be Monday, December 14th.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm.