

METUCHEN ARTS COUNCIL  
MEETING MINUTES, **September 23, 2013**

The Metuchen Arts Council meeting on September 23, 2012 called to order by Chairperson Grace Shackney at 8:05 p.m. Those present were: Kathy Glaser, Amy Brooks, Henry Chang, Grace Shackney, Kim Adlerman, John Sharp, Carissa Sestito, Carolyn Hemming, Terry Kohl, Nancy Goldberg and Ron Grayzel

**SUNSHINE LAW ACKNOWLEDGMENT:**

Chairperson Grace Shackney acknowledged the meeting was open to the public pursuant to the Sunshine Law.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM MEETING ON August 26, 2013:**

Grace Shackney moved to approve the minutes of the last meeting held August 26, 2013 with no changes. Amy Brooks seconded and all approved.

**PROGRAM REPORTS:**

- Gallery: Artist Billy Seacombe will be featured next in the Rotunda Gallery. The student gallery will be up for the Gallery Walk but the school is unknown at this time. Gallery Walk of the four galleries, Rotunda, Transformations, Nails in the Wall and VAM is scheduled for October 13<sup>th</sup> from 1-5 PM. The new banners are up and, although smaller than anticipated, quite lovely. Metuchen Life will be doing a series of articles highlighting the galleries.
  - Jazz Fest: Carolyn Hemming reported that Artists James Dean and Carrie Jackson were well received by the 150 people that attended. NJID sent two buses with guests who had special needs. We will need to review access to bathrooms in the coming years as well as Public Works providing clean up of the outside seating. Carolyn has already contacted Mason Gross for next year.
  - Metuchen Rocks: Grace Shackney reported that the last band Citizens Band Radio was well received and will be asked back in the future possibly in a co-produced event with the Metuchen Farmers Market.
  - Grants and Programs: After discussion it was decided that for the Gallery Walk, Cultural Arts will provide \$300 for a Jazz group at Borough Hall and \$200 toward the program printing for the Walk. A total of \$500 was voted to provide for materials for a mural possibly at Oakland Tennis Courts. Transformation Gallery is proposing Art Workshops for families and for art appreciation. A total of \$600 was proposed for those programs.
  - Website: Henry Chang reported that a small group will be meeting and will present findings at a later meeting.
  - Arts Directory: Linda LaStella and committee are currently working on this project.
  - Electric Sign: John reported that the Plays In The Park sign in Roosevelt Park costs \$12, 851.

Meeting adjourned at 9:20 PM with Grace Shackney moving the motion and Carolyn Hemming seconding.

Next Meeting is Monday, October 28, 2013, 8:00 p.m. at Borough Hall.

Respectfully submitted by: Terry Kohl