

METUCHEN ARTS COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
MARCH 23, 2015

The Metuchen Arts Council meeting on March 23rd, 2014 was called to order by Chairperson Grace Shackney at 8:00 p.m.

Those present were: Councilors Grace Shackney, Carolyn Hamming, John Sharp, Steve Rueter and Judy Lee; Borough Council liaison Ron Grayzel; Recreation Director Nancy Goldberg; and Sean Joyner, member of the public.

SUNSHINE LASW ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:

Chairperson Grace Shackney acknowledged the meeting was open to the public pursuant to the Sunshine Laws and welcomed Sean Joyner.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FROM FEBRUARY 23, 2015

In the absence of our Secretary, and as there was not a quorum present, the adoption of the minutes from the February 23rd meeting was postponed until our next meeting in April.

PROGRAM REPORTS:

- **Schoolhouse Singer/Songwriter Circle – March 28th.** Grace reported that 50 people attended. Martin Winger, Glen Roethel, Amy Saucy and Sharon Goldman performed. Grace thanked Nancy Goldberg, Cathy Tardosky, Carolyn Hamming and Steve and Tyreen Rueter for their help with the evening. The next Songwriter Circle is scheduled for July 18th.
- **Community Mural** – Linda LaStella reported that work on the “Autumn” section of the mural took place on the last three weekends at the Senior Center. She is holding a special workshop this weekend to create faces for the mural. The work on this section will be completed during Junebug when the public will again have the opportunity to work on it.
- **Junebug** – Grace reported that the Junebug Committee has been meeting regularly since January. Thanks to the efforts of Linda LaStella, two high school students are developing an app for the festival. The registration deadline for artists and performers is the first week in April. The Kickstarter campaign met its goal of raising \$3,000. This will allow the commissioning of a 3D chalk art project that will be in front of Borough Hall. Volunteers are needed to be street hosts.
- **Art in the Garden Tour** - Scheduled for Sunday, June 7th. Three gardens have been secured. We need two more. All present were asked for suggestions.
- **Gallery Report** - Mark Harris reported that Mickey Waring’s work is next up in the Rotunda Gallery.
- **Bus Trip** – Carolyn Hamming is working on a fall trip to the Newark Museum with a meal and a performance by the NJ Symphony. She and Judy Lee will

meet next week to discuss. A trip to the Impressionist show at the Philadelphia Museum and the Rodin Museum is in the works for July 15th. The cost for that trip will be \$95 per person.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- There will be an Open Mic on Friday, March 27th at What's The Scoop.

**THE NEXT ARTS COUNCIL MEETING IS SCHEDULED FOR
MONDAY, APRIL 27TH, 2015.**

Submitted by:

Grace Shackney
(In the absence of Secretary Terry Kohl)