



MEETING NOTES

May 26, 2015

8:00 p.m. , 2nd floor meeting room, Borough Hall

PRESENT: Elizabeth Pallitto, Henry Chang, Grace Shackney, Linda LaStella, Ron Grayzel, Ed Wetzel.

Chairperson Grace Shackney invoked the Sunshine Laws opening the meeting to the public. Ed Wetzel arrived toward the end of the meeting and was welcomed by all.

Grace reported that Arts Council member Terry Kohl is recovering nicely from bypass surgery.

Grace welcomed new Arts Council member Elizabeth Pallitto. Elizabeth brought copies of a new book she has edited of pros and poetry. She announced that there will be a reading of the book at the Metuchen Public Library on May 27th and invited all present to attend.

As there was not a quorum, no business was conducted. Grace Shackney gave a brief report on current programs:

- Community Mural Update – Linda LaStella reported that she was waiting to hear from Public Works on the installation of the “Summer” portion of the Community Mural.
- Junebug – The Junebug Artfest is positioned to open on June 5th.
- The Garden Tour – The gardens are ready. The artists are set. Grace needs help promoting the event and recruiting volunteers to be hosts in the gardens on Sunday, June 7th.
- Outdoor Movies – Henry reported that several other organizations are planning outdoor movies in town this summer so the Arts Council is not going to offer one this year.
- METUCHEN ROCKS! – The following bands are set to perform as part of this series:
 - Big Nancy and the Supreme Court – August 6th
 - Gripweed – August 13
 - Spider Monkeys – August 20
 - King Django – August 27

In other business, Grace announced that a benefit concert for Braking The Chain is planned for June 13th at Metuchen High School.

The next meeting of the Metuchen Arts Council is set for Monday, June 24, 2015.

Submitted by

Grace Shackney

In the absence of Secretary Terry Kohl