

ARTS COUNCIL MEETING
Thursday, March 6, 2008 3:00 PM
Kiawah Island Municipal Center
2nd Floor Conference Room
MINUTES

I. Call to Order:

Mr. Lipuma called the meeting to order at 3:03 PM

- II. FOIA Notification:** Notice of this meeting has been published, and posted in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act and the requirements of the Town of Kiawah Island.

III. Roll Call:

Present: Charles Lipuma
Lenni Freeburg
Mary Johnson
Carol Ann Smalley
Sid Williams
Arie De Zanger
Julie Fenimore
Bill Blizard

Also Present: Tumiko Rucker, Town Administrator

Absent: Gloria Fenning
Catherine Wilson, Town Clerk

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

A. February 7, 2008 Arts Council Meeting Minutes

Mr. Blizard motioned to approve the February 7, 2008 Arts Council Minutes. Mr. Williams seconded the motion. Mrs. Smalley, Mrs. Freeburg and Mr. Lipuma made corrections to the minutes. With those corrections motion carried unanimously.

V. Agenda Addition-“2008/2009 Season Events” to New Business, Item C

Mr. Blizard motioned to add item “2008/2009 Season Events” to New Business, Item C. Mr. Williams seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

VI. OLD BUSINESS:

A. 2007/2008 Season Events

Arts Council members discussed previous the 2007/2008 performance season.

The Arts Council decided that at the Bill Jameson event the silent auction feature piece will be the only artwork for sale. He will be able to bring pieces for display.

The Patsy Cline event has been cancelled due to conflict with Spolito.

The Gullah Festival has been placed back on the schedule for Sunday, June 22, 2008; 4:00PM at Mingo Point. This event has a budget of \$2,500.00. Catering and performers for the event remain TBD. Mrs. Johnson suggested using wristbands in order to identify those who have paid for the meal. This event will have 600 tickets available free of cost and meal tickets will be sold in advance.

The Chamber Orchestra from the College of Charleston will be performing on April 20, 2008 at 4:00PM. The location will most likely be held at the Ocean Course and should be finalized by March 7, 2008. This event has a budget of \$2,000.00.

Mr. Williams discussed the TBD Gullah History event. A possible lecturer is Lila Potts from the College of Charleston. Mr. Williams suggested a lecture, a performance, and food for this event. The Arts Council decided to not allow free food for attendees. Food purchasing will not be included in the event budget. The proposed budget is \$1700.00.

The Detroit Women remains TBD until the venue and date is finalized. The two most possible dates are May 3rd or 10th. This event will have 5 performers and 300-350 tickets available. The budget for the Detroit Women is \$7,000.00.

Tommy Gill remains at Osprey Clubhouse for March 30, 2008. Mrs. Rucker and Mrs. Johnson discussed timing of ticket availability.

Mrs. Fenimore discussed programming for the Charleston Symphony Orchestra event at Freshfields on May 15th, 2008 at 7:00PM.

B. Budget Update

Mr. De Zanger stated that the Dyan Forest event has a budget total of \$1,250.00.

The Arts Council will not provide funding to the Piccolo Spolito event this year. They will plan for it in next year's budget.

Mrs. Johnson asked for clarification for an amount of \$550.00 for the Tommy Gill event which appears not justified. Mrs. Rucker stated that Mr. Gunnells paid the amount. Mrs. Johnson stated that she feels this is a charge for a bartender that should have been removed; not paid. Mr. Lipuma asked for Mr. Gunnells to send, via email, an explanation of the invoice to both himself and Mrs. Johnson.

VII. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Gee-Mackey Duo

No discussion.

B. Resort Single Point Contact

No discussion.

C. 2008/2009 Season Events

Mrs. Smalley stated that Frederick Moyer's performance price has increased to \$3,000. The final date is October 12, 2008 at 4:00PM. The proposed budget, including piano rental totals \$4,075. She also submitted a proposal for a chamber music program performed by professional chamber group called the American Chamber Players. The proposed budget for this event totaled \$10,255. This event is too costly and was rejected.

Mrs. Fenimore reviewed funding for a CSO concert on November 8, 2008 at 4:00PM. This would be an event during the CSOL house tour and would be part of "A Day of the Arts on Kiawah" held at the Sanctuary. Freshfields is working on a submittal for ATAX funds. Arts Council members were excited about this event. She also submitted a request for funding a Christmas Brass Concert for \$5,000. This event would take place at the Holy Spirit in December.

Her third proposal was for "A Child's Christmas in Wales" a theatre and chamber Christmas event for \$2,200.

Mrs. Johnson asked if the 2008/2009 season would include a jazz boat cruise. Mr. Lipuma stated that the boat cruise idea was very innovative and would be discussed. Arts Council members were very excited about the event. Mrs. Johnson stated the boat cruise could take place in September or October. The boat will hold 200 people in addition to performers. It would cost \$3,500 for the

boat and performers would be an additional \$2,000. The boat supplies food which would be purchased by the attendees. The performance and boat cost could be included in the Arts Council Budget. Hors d'oeuvre tickets may be purchased for about \$25.00. Mrs. Rucker explained that the Rhett's Bluff landing is not available for commercial use, and for legal reasons, the cruise would need to launch from Bohicket Marina.

Mr. Blizzard stated that Wanda Johnson is available Friday, January 9, 2009 along with Shrimp City Slim. This event will most likely be held at the Sandcastle or Turtle Point with a budget of \$2,200.

The Arts Council will participate in the planning for the Town's anniversary event in September. The event will be budgeted through the Town.

VIII. CITIZEN COMMENTS:

Mr. Larry Price asked the Arts Council to read his letter pertaining to the Arts Council performances. This letter was included in the February booklet. Mr. Price graciously praised the past and continuing efforts of the Arts Council.

IX. MEMBER COMMENTS:

None

X. ADJOURNMENT:

Mr. Lipuma motioned to adjourn the meeting at 5:30PM; Motion seconded by Mrs. Fenimore; and carried unanimously.

SUBMITTED BY: _____

Catherine Wilson

APPROVED: _____

Charles R. Lipuma

DATE: _____

CC. William G. Wert

Town Council

Tumiko Rucker, Town Administrator