

TOWN OF EAST HAMPTON
ARTS AND CULTURE COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2020
ZOOM

MINUTES

Zoom meeting for EHACC held at 6:30 p.m. on November 19, 2020

Betty Sennett, Mel Carnahan, Carol Lane and Melissa Pionzio attended.

Minutes from the October 15, 2020 EHACC meeting approved

No Public Comment

Betty Sennett report on the East Hampton Town Hall Grant Opening ceremony - the event was spectacular, a fabulous day with a reception held outdoors in front of the building, music and singing by the East Hampton High School Music Department, speaker who shared information on the process of how the building came to be followed by tours of the building. The space is very large and there is a gallery for East Hampton Art Association artwork located outside the town manager's office on the 2nd floor and another space featuring East Hampton student artwork near the board of education and town clerk offices on the first floor. Anyone who is a member of the EHAA can exhibit their work at this 2nd floor gallery. Betty said the bell she painted for the East Hampton Rotary Club Bell fundraiser is being exhibited on the 2nd floor in a special stand. Police Chief Cox helped her with the East Hampton Art Association exhibit and the bell. Commissioners discussed ways to help promote the bell exhibit which can be found around town at the town hall, library, Bevin Bell factory and the Black Walnut Bread Co. Perhaps photos can be taken and posted on social media. Mel Carnahan asked if there is any space that could be used to feature locally made art. Melissa Pionzio suggested a Covid Era exhibit of creative work. Carol Lane suggested hosting another artist open house after Covid calms down. Commissioners suggested signage to alert visitors to the town hall of the 2nd floor gallery. Photos on social media could be posted when there is a new exhibit.

Grants - Melissa has submitted information about the \$200 Capstone grant for East Hampton High School juniors and seniors and the 2/\$500 community grants to the Rivereast and Middletown Press and onto the EHACC web site and Facebook page. She also spoke to the superintendent of schools about the Capstone grant. He promised to help get the word out. Mel suggested having a presence at the school to help promote the Capstone Grant or attend a Capstone info session. Melissa suggested we try to have a student liaison for the EHACC again.

Commissioners approved meeting schedule for 2021

No events to share

Melissa said Shirley Brooks has reminded a potential new member for the commission to contact the town manager if she is interested in joining.

Mel will take minutes for future meetings

Meeting adjourned at 7:10pm