

**TOWN OF EAST HAMPTON  
ARTS & CULTURE COMMISSION  
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2019  
6:30 P.M.  
JOSEPH N. GOFF HOUSE**

**Minutes**

All members present except Carol Lane and Phyllis Martin

1. Call to Order
2. Adoption of the Agenda – adopted.
3. Welcome New Member – Melvin Carnahan, lived in Putnam 1990 to 2000 and worked in Nashville, Tenn. in human resources and later settled in East Hampton. President of Spice Hill Woods Association, joined to be more involved in the community.
4. Approval of Minutes a. January 16, 2019 - approved
5. Public Comments – no public comment
6. Old Business
  - a. Budget Presentation March 27th with East Hampton Town Council– Melissa will remind members of the date of the meeting with the town council so they can plan to attend and familiarize the council of our mission and initiatives and budget items.
  - b. Student Art Trophies – Bevin Bells. Melissa passed out copies of photos of several bells that are available from Bevin Bells, a brass hand bell, a steel bell and a cow bell. Commission members liked the size of the cow bell but agreed that it wasn't substantial enough to give as an award to the students. The brass bells with a wood handle would be a nicer option with the addition of a certificate and the student's name. Melissa will take a photos of the commission's brass bell she has at home and email to everyone to help with the decision. The engraving can be done by Bill Devine.
  - c. Grants: Changed in the EHACC budget for the upcoming fiscal year - 2 grants will be offered for \$400 each and a Capstone for \$200. No applications have been received yet. Melissa will print some for the high school main office and library, town hall and resubmit to the newspapers and social media.
  - d. Community Calendar – Ellen Paul tabled until next month.
7. New Business
  - a. Jim Monahan – He originally saw the Sculpture Mile in the town of Madison, which featured a mile of sculptures installed on private properties and public spaces where people could see and interact with them. The program is sponsored by the Hollycroft Foundation - [www.hollycroft.org](http://www.hollycroft.org). Jim is meeting with a representative from Hollycroft to discuss the initiative. Sculptures are made by CT based artists, funding is done through fundraising by the Hollycroft organization and advertising in its directory. East Hampton would help promote it

the exhibit if it is installed in EH. Jim will bring back more information after the meeting including info about insurance, vandalism and liability, the length of the installation and costs.

b. Ed Yocher – Rotary & Town Banner – the East Hampton Rotary Club will take this project on and Ed will keep track of the progress and report back to the commission.

8. Financial Report – most of our expenses for the current fiscal year come up in the spring, so it seems like we have a lot of money to spend but it will be allocated by the time the next budget season comes.

9. Commissioner's Reports – The EH Art Association Art show is May 4 at the Lutheran Church, and on Feb. 27 there will be a dvd presentation on portrait artist Rudy Calao and then on March 27, Susan Pecora will do a water color demo, in April Jim Laurino an oil artists from Newtown will give a demo, all programs held in the community room at the library. Chatham Historical Society will host a talk on Dr. Soreff from East Hampton by his family this Saturday, Feb. 23 at the library and on March 30 an antique appraisal day will be held at the library and an open house will be held the first Sunday of the month. Haddam Neck Cong Church Quilt show is April 6 and 7. Epoch Arts spring semester begins March 11.

10. Public Comments - none

11. Adjournment 7:40 p.m.