

Albion Cultural Exchange Committee Meeting – Wednesday May 4th, 2022 at 7pm

Attendees:

Chris, Joy, Tracey, Donna, AnnMarie, Doug

1.) Review and Approval of previous meeting minutes – April meeting minutes approved.

2.) Building Maintenance

- 3 new wood benches purchased (Ottoman Returned)
- KMA Associates onsite visit - Friday April 15th (Initial Feedback)
 - Chris provided some highlights from the visit and will be sending out to the committee the initial report that he received today
- Window cleaning maintenance estimate received from Fish Window Cleaning
 - Committee voted favorably to pursue initial cleaning (front and back windows for \$700) as funds are available.
- Jon Connor - Patriotic bunts swapped out before Patriots Day (Donated his time and bucket truck, many thanks for the assistance.)
- Blanchard Awning: vendor for the buntings
- Front Sign Lights: repeated blowouts is a bit mysterious

3.) Ongoing Events

- Art & Edibles successful show run, last night was April 15th
- WHS AP Art Show (Meg M.)
 - Wed\Thurs May 11-12th Setup
 - Friday May 13th AP Art Show 5pm
- Sunday May 15th Wakefield Arts Council Awards Banquet 6pm - 8pm
- WHS JV Art Show Wed\Thurs May 18th\19th

4.) Promotion

- Kate Lipper-Garabedian podcast with Chris - recorded on 4/22 in Melrose, coming out soon.

5.) Gifts\Donations

- Two \$25,000 state awards - chasing down
 - One was received as we signed the KMA contract
 - For the other, the packet from MA Cultural Council received and being completed
- Another state award (70k) needs to have the details worked out with the DPW rep, Anne W.
- Wakefield Co-Op bank donations: \$1,350 (1st quarter amount: check received)

6.) Operations Guideline Draft

- Donna and Chris met April 10th; Donna compiling meeting notes. Future meeting next month.

7.) Future Events Review

June-August

- Improv Concept – ideas being considered – nothing firm at this point

August\September

- Local Landmarks art show Wakefield\New England – target Sept – last 3 Friday nights of the month

- Potential Microbrew event maybe tied into the Sept show
- Maybe some story telling/historical/landmark talks during the event

October

- Creatures & Critters Show - Wakefield Arts Collab in planning stages

December

- ACW Winter Show/Sale (Nov / Dec timeframe is TBD)
- Holiday A Capella

January\February 2023

- Bring the Good 2023 – start show in mid-Jan – run thru mid-Feb
 - Comedy Show fundraiser with Paul D'Angelo
 - Maybe also do a Comedy Workshop

8.) Artist Challenge Contest - currently covered by Local Landmarks Show targeted for Sept

9.) Un-anticipated topics

10.) Adjournment