Official Minutes of the Rowlett Arts and Humanities Commission

Date:

Tuesday, October 13, 2009

Location:

Library Meeting Room, 3900 Main Street

- 1) Administer the Oath of Office and the Statement of Elected/Appointed Officer to the newly appointed members.
 - Deputy City Secretary Stacey Chadwick administered the Oath of Office and the Statement of Elected/Appointed Officer to Kris Kriofske and Jerry Hickman.
- 2) Meeting called to order at 6:40 p.m. and a quorum was present.
 - Members present: Jerry Barshop, Hugo Martinez, Jerry Hickman, and Kris Kriofske.
 - · Members excused: Mary Drayer, Joyce Baxter, and Leila McNeill.
 - Staff present: Kathy Cockcroft.
- 3) Elect Arts and Humanities Commission officers for 2009-2010.
 - Jerry Barshop nominated Hugo Martinez to serve as Chairperson; Kris Kriofske seconded; motion passed unanimously.
 - Jerry Barshop nominated Mary Drayer to serve as Vice-Chairperson; Kris Kriofske seconded; motion passed unanimously.
- 4) <u>Consider approving minutes of the regular meeting of September 8, 2009</u>. Motion made by Jerry Barshop to accept the minutes as written. Motion seconded by Jerry Hickman; motion passed unanimously.
- 5) <u>Presentation by Jennifer Gomez, Special Projects Manager, to discuss City's special events and potential collaborations.</u>
 - Jennifer Gomez described the Main Street Events and invited the Arts and Humanities Commission to participate; she would like to market the Commission's participation.
 - The 2009-2010 Downtown Event Series will include:
 - --Veteran's Day (November 11)
 - --Holiday Parade and Festival (November 21)
 - -- Tree Lighting Ceremony (December 3)
 - -- Eggstraordinary Egg Hunt (March 27)
 - -- Mayor' Diversity Day (April)
 - --Memorial Day Celebration featuring Touch-A-Truck (May 29)
 - --Fireworks on Main (July 3)
 - -- Movies on Main (September).
 - Kathy will ask Mary Drayer about the Rowlett Community Chorale performing at Holiday Parade and Festival on November 21, 2009; Hugo Martinez will also ask the brass section of the Lakeshore Symphonic Winds to perform at the Tree Lighting Ceremony on December 3, 2009.
- 6) Discuss budgets.
 - a) overview of prior month was reviewed.
 - b) FY 2010 discussion postponed until November meeting.

7) Discuss upcoming joint work session with the City Council scheduled for Tuesday, March 2, 2010.

• Discussed how to present support of Rowlett Cultural Center for arts at this meeting.

8) Discuss plans to keep Cultural Arts Center in City's vision.

- Bring to March 2, 2010 City Council session support of City's Arts' center; discussed initiate nonprofit group to raise money.
- Discuss facility study.
- Educate public about need for arts, to realize center will not make profit but quality of life and helps commerce, restaurants, etc.

9) Discuss mandatory Open Meeting Act training.

 Reminded newly appointed members certificate of completion for training is due by Friday, October 30, 2009.

10) Update from standing committees:

- Writing Contest postponed.
- Photography Contest received 6 entries.
- Art Shows 113 entries, very successful. Best of Show 2D winner for elementary division is
 Kiana Swanson (student at Amy Parks Elementary in Heath); Best of Show 2D winner for middle
 and high school division is James Moore (student at Rowlett High School) and Best of Show 3D
 winner for middle and high school division is Cecilia Olivares (student at Rockwall High School).
- Westshore and More no report.
- Summer Cultural Art Series and Art in the Park no report.

11) Standing reports:

a) Update from Lakeshore Symphonic Winds.

The brass section from the Lakeshore Symphonic Winds will perform Saturday, December 5th at Firewheel mall.

A joint concert, "Old Fashioned Christmas" with the Rowlett Community Chorale is scheduled for 7 p.m. Saturday, December 19th at the First United Methodist Church.

b) Update from the Rowlett Community Chorale.

Joint concert with Lakeshore Symphonic Winds scheduled for Saturday, December 19th.

12) Public Announcements:

No announcements.

13) Future topics:

- Call to order
- Consider approving minutes from previous meeting
- Discuss budget overview of previous month
- Discuss and set FY 2010 budget including grant process
- Discuss and set calendar of events to coordinate activities
- Discuss DART Blue Line art design
- Discuss plans to keep Cultural Art Center in City's vision
- Update on Standing Committees
 - a) Writing Contest
 - b) Photography Contest

- c) Art shows
- d) Westshore and More
- e) Summer Cultural Arts Series and Art in the Park
- Standing Reports:
 - a) Update from Lakeshore Symphonic Winds (Hugo Martinez)
 - b) Update from Rowlett Community Chorale (Mary Drayer)
- Public announcements
- Future topics
- 9) Meeting adjourned at 7:59 p.m.

Approved by the Rowlett Arts and Humanities Commission:

Signature of Chairman

11/10/09 Date