Ballston Spa Committee on the Arts Minutes 10/5/2022

Call to Order - 7:00

Pledge to the Flag

Attendance/Introductions - Trustee Ben, Trustee Bernadette, Ashley Bush, Ann Menkens, Cathy Hackert, kate van buren

Approval of the 9/21/22 minutes - none to approve

Old Business/Projects

Mural:

Cathy/kate met with Glens Falls artist (Hannah) and learned 3 things:

- 1. artist fees: \$17-\$20/sq foot. As example, the Auggies wall is 6 feet tall; \$2,500 would allow us to paint almost 21 feet of the wall.
- 2. we need to clean up and repair the wall first (Cathy worked with a local mason; estimated \$10k)
- 3. It is getting too cold to do the work outside this year. We discussed painting panels but Hannah suggested they would not winter well over time.

Hannah requested us to figure out if we can use this year's \$\$ for another use (e.g., repairs) and fund the mural in a future year. Note: the 2023 SA grant (for the Village) is anticipated to used by ASK for the birdhouse project. THEREFORE: We need to either give back the \$\$ or determine the ability to re-appropriate the \$\$ for another project.

kate suggested shrinking the project to 'themed mini-murals' and partner with the BSBPA for locations. (note - the next BSBPA meeting is on 10/17).

Note: Hannah expressed an interest in working with the school to get student participation

The committee was asked to reconsider using current funds for an internal mural (e.g., library) **instead of** give the \$\$ back to SA.

Planter Art -

We would like photos of other 7 planters - Ashley to update online file with needed photos

Banners - Holiday banners are in process Sounds of Summer - hold for 2023 scheduling Website/Social Media - no updates

New Business

Application review - next step to "call for artists" for new project submissions

Charter update -

Refer to Charter document/discussion for updates; Trustee Bernadette will talk with Karla re: communications oversight and officer election.

Little Arts/Crafts library update

Planning in process; proposal for Village consideration forthcoming

Project ideas for Front Street (March - May, 2023) - tabled for future discussion

Budget review -

Digital Art budget item to be reallocated to Little Library (to be included in above proposal)

Chair's report - no additional

Other:

Cathy will be out of town 10/14 - 11/14 but can attend digitally

Public Comment - No additional

Next Meeting

Next meeting – October 19

7 pm

@ Library Community Room

Adjourn - 7:53

Ballston Spa Committee on the Arts - Mission

To foster and advance artistic and creative efforts in the Village's public spaces in order to enrich and enhance the quality of life in our community.