

**CULTURAL COUNCIL of VOLUSIA COUNTY
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**



January 26, 2018

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Edith Shelley, Chair
Mike Fincher
George Pappas
Jim Ward
John Wilton

MEETING TIME & PLACE:

9:00 a.m.
Little Theatre of New Smyrna Beach
702 E. Third Street, New Smyrna Beach

STAFF:

Rebecca Rau, Administrative Coordinator II
Julie Scofield, Historic Preservation Officer
Dawn Thomas, Activity Project Manager
Shannon Eller, Assistant County Attorney

MEMBERS ABSENT: Lloyd Bowers, Lucy Jackman, Tom Laputka, Robin Peroldo

GUESTS: Noel Bickford, Little Theatre

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL: Chair Shelley called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. Roll was called. Ms. Shelley thanked the Little Theatre for hosting the meeting. Ms. Noel Bickford gave the CCVC a history of the Little Theatre including an update on the productions from last year. Ms. Shelley announced to the Council that member Lloyd Bowers has been in intensive care.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

- ✓ **MOTION** by Mr. Ward, 2nd by Dr. Wilton **“To approve the minutes of the December 1, 2017 regular meeting.” Motion passed unanimously.**

ELECTION OF CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR

- ✓ **MOTION** by Mr. Pappas, 2nd by Mr. Ward **“To nominate Lloyd Bowers to serve as CCVC Chair for the 2018 term.” Motion passed unanimously.**
- ✓ **MOTION** by Mr. Pappas, 2nd by Dr. Wilton **“To nominate Mike Fincher to serve as CCVC Vice-Chair for the 2018 term.” Motion passed unanimously.**

In the absence of Mr. Bowers, Mr. Fincher assumed the role of Chair to continue the meeting.

OLD BUSINESS:

License Plate Mini-Grant Report – Ms. Scofield presented the most recent License Plate Fund report showing a balance of \$40,707.43. Ms. Scofield answered questions from Dr. Wilton regarding the placement/location of the ECHO Gallery banners at the Ocean Center. Ms. Scofield noted that there were two outstanding mini-grant requests for \$1,000 each (DeLeon Springs Community Association and Volusia County Cultural Alliance).

2018-2019 CCG Guidelines, Application and Calendar –Ms. Scofield highlighted the key dates for the Community Cultural Grant. Mr. Fincher noted that the first workshop had been held on Wednesday of that week with approximately 35 in attendance (22 agencies). He then added that the second workshop was to be held later that day in DeLand and invited any CCVC member to attend. Mr. Fincher then reiterated the June 1 review

date at the Lifeguard Headquarters. It was noted that there may be several new organizations applying this year, including the Howard Thurman Historical Home. Mr. Fincher discussed the April 20th submission deadline and asked about when the Council would receive the grants. Ms. Scofield reminded him of the seven day period should there be incomplete submissions and that the Council would still have approximately one month to review the submissions.

County Council meeting date change Ms. Eller reminded the Council that the County Council has changed their meeting dates from Thursday to Tuesday. The Council meets the first and third week of the month.

NEW BUSINESS: None

VCCA REPORT:

Mr. Fincher reminded the Council about ArtsWeek which will be February 23 – March 4th. As part of ArtsWeek, the annual Awards Dinner will be on February 28th honoring Nancy Maddox and Lucy Jackman. This event will be held at the Brannon Center in New Smyrna Beach.

OTHER MEMBER/STAFF ITEMS:

Dr. Wilton distributed brochures describing the utility box art project that had been discussed last meeting. He noted that the first instance of vandalism had taken place but had been repaired. Ms. Eller noted increased law enforcement presence. Seeing the success of this program Ms. Shelley hopes to work with the City of Daytona Beach and Florida Power & Light to offer a similar program on the east side of the county.

Dr. Wilton reminded Council of the DeLand Fall Festival of the Arts' initiative to continue Volusia County's participation in the Off the Beaten Path Studio Tour for the third year. Twenty to thirty artists will be participating in the East Volusia studio tour on February 10-11, and about 15 artists in the West Volusia tour on February 23-24.

Mr. Fincher reminded the Council about Images: A Festival of the Arts, taking place that weekend in NSB.

Ms. Scofield announced the hiring of Robert Redd, formerly of the New Smyrna Museum of History, to the position of Cultural Coordinator, taking the role formerly held by Jessi Jackson Smith.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION / ANNOUNCEMENTS: None

NEXT MEETING: The next CCVC meeting will be held at the DeLand Museum of Art, 600 N. Woodland Blvd., on April 6. The meeting date was moved due to a conflict with Good Friday.

ADJOURNMENT: With no further business before the board, Mr. Fincher adjourned the meeting at 9:25 a.m.

Respectfully submitted on April 6, 2018 by Robert Redd, Cultural Coordinator, County of Volusia.