

**Arts Culture Torrington**  
**Commission Meeting Minutes - March 2, 2022 - 8:00 am - Via Zoom**

**Present:**

Edward Cannata, Chairman

Kristy Barto                William Haygood      Rachel Kelly      Ann Johnson      Janet Iffland

Mike McAllister      Jacque Williams

**Absent:**

City Liaison

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**Next meeting:** Special Follow up - March 9, 2022 at 8:15 a.m. via Zoom

**Call to order:** Ed Cannata called the meeting to order at 8:10 a.m.

**Public comment:** None

**City Space/City Hall Gallery:** Bill reported that he is waiting for information from Mark McEachern (Historical Society) in order to progress with the plans for the space next to the tax office at City Hall.

**New Business:** Rachel commented on a past event at 5 Points and the Annex that was a meet up for creatives and suggested resurrecting a similar event. Ed reported that he did some research and found that April 15, 2022 is World Art Day and suggested the date for a proposed creative “meet up”. Matt at Bad Dog Brewery had offered the 2nd floor at the brewery and is holding the date. The event is to be held from 5-7 pm on Friday, April 15, 2022. Rachel made a motion, seconded by Mike and the vote was unanimous to plan this event.

Janet commented that this would be a great networking opportunity. Ed spoke about having a guest list for the attendees to sign with their email addresses for distribution. Bill suggested a table for artisans and venues to leave business cards, flyers, etc.

Rachel volunteered to write up a synopsis of ideas and plans for going forward. She will also create the social media content. Jacque suggested that Ed seek out assistance from Lucinda Row (Red Room Sound) in shaping a press release.

Ideas for refreshments were discussed. Rachel suggested the committee as a group bring something. Jacque suggested approaching area restaurants for donated platters.

Since this event is only 6 weeks away, the commission agreed to meet again on Wednesday, March 9, 2022 at 8:15 am via Zoom.

**Note:** Because of time constraints, the January minutes were not distributed and reviewed. Also there was no financial report. These items are tabled for the meeting at the end of March.

Jacque suggested that the charter is in need of review. Ed will add that to the agenda for the April meeting.

**Adjournment:** A motion was made and duly seconded to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 8:40 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Ann Johnson