

Arts Culture Torrington
Commission Meeting Minutes - December 1, 2021 - 8:30 am
City Hall, 140 Main St., Torrington, Connecticut

Present:

Edward Cannata, Chairman

Kristy Barto

William Haygood

Rachel Kelly

Ann Johnson

Absent:

Janet Iffland

Jacque Williams

Mike McAllister

City Liaison:

Martin O'Connor, City Planner

Next meeting: January 26, 2022 at 8:30 a.m.

Call to order: Ed Cannata called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

Public comment: None

Finances: The commemorative holiday ornaments have been a successful fundraiser. Overall net to the commission is anticipated to be \$275.00

City Space/City Hall Gallery: Bill Haywood called attention to the latest local art that will hang in the meeting room. Artists include Jessica Fallis and Mark Rich. Ed Cannata suggested a press release be generated and Bill agreed, waiting until Jessica's work is finalized, which should be by mid-December.

A discussion about other installations detailed Ed's idea to incorporate a "Five Minute Museum". This concept would include a 46" flat screen put on a network and by use of digital software, display a rotating series of images that would be changed out regularly. Marty expressed concerns about audio being disturbing. Ed said that it could be on mute, but audio could be used on the website. Marty agreed to discuss it with the Mayor to see if the city would let this be networked in. Ed made a motion to move forward, the motion was seconded by Rachel and passed unanimously.

Calendar: Dates for 2022 meetings were discussed and set at 8:30 a.m. as follows:

Jan 26	Feb 23	Mar 30	Apr 27	May 25	June 29
July 25	Aug 31	Sept 28	Oct 26	Nov 30	Dec 28

New Business: Marty announced that he will retire on January 7, 2022 after 22 years of service. This will be his last meeting. Jeremy Liefert will step into the role. Heartfelt congratulations were expressed by all.

Adjournment: A motion was made and duly seconded to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 9:40 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Ann Johnson