The meeting was called to order by Chairman Bruce Bondy at 7:03 p.m. in the Terrace Room at the Village Hall.

Commissioners present: Chairman Bruce Bondy, Sharon Moyer, Ernie Halperin, Al Alvarez, Joei Shavitz, Chris Sheban, Christopher Laughlin, Susan Wolf, and Marsha Schwartz Robert Sills. Eileen Loftus, Susan Wolf, Liaison Cheryl Fayne-dePersio

Commissioners Absent: Jerry Block, Chris Nibeck, Bonnie Siegel, Michelle Gershkovitch, Joan MacVay.

Guests: Karen Mahoney

MINUTES:
Chairman Bondy asked Commissioners to review the February 7, 2019 draft minutes for approval. Commissioner Moyer motioned to approve the February 7, 2019 Regular Arts Commission minutes, seconded by Commissioner Halperin. All in favor and the motion passed.

_Hear from the Audience — No comments_
Karen Mahoney introduced herself and shared information about her background as an art teacher.

_Financial Report —_
Liaison Fayne-dePersio noted that the bank statement balance for Friends of the Arts was $12,646.91. There are checks from the workshop participants that will be deposited.

_Plein Air Festival_
The 3rd Annual Plein Air Painting Festival will be held Sept. 26-29, with a one week exhibit the following week at the Village Green Center, which will provide for a variety of opportunity to invite various groups to view the art. Chairman Bondy noted the exhibit at Glenview library ends next week. The exhibit generated a few inquiries about the art however no artwork was sold.
The Exhibit at Sunset will be held Friday-Sunday, April 5-7. The reception on Friday will be from 5:00pm to 8pm. Chairman Bondy will discuss refreshments options with Sunset. Commissioner Laughlin offered to provide entertainment during the Friday night reception. He will also promote the event in an artist newsletter mailing. The exhibit will also be on Saturday 10am to 5pm, and Sunday until 10am to 3pm.

Another exhibit will be at Glenview Book store (The Book Market) in March through April. After these exhibits, the paintings will be returned to the artists. Commissioner Halperin suggested displaying various artwork at local establishments (such as local restaurants) and will explore the opportunity. It was noted that it would be best to coordinate the artist with the establishment and let them work out the details, as the Arts Commission would not be involved with the actual showing.

As for our fall event, Bondy noted the Commission needs to start making specific plans for the event and implement different opportunities. Perhaps working with the Community Relations Commission on coordinating other happenings during our festival. Commissioner Bondy reminded the Commission we need to approve funds for the Exhibit at Sunset reception. Commissioner Laughlin motioned to approve $200 for refreshments at the Sunset Reception, seconded by Commissioner Moyer. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Northbrook Originals

The 16th Annual Northbrook Originals exhibit will be featured from April 11 to May 30 at the Northbrook Library. The opening reception will be held on April 11 at 7:00 p.m. in the Pollak Room at the Library. Commissioners Halperin and Laughlin volunteered to order the food for the reception not to exceed $250, per approval at a prior meeting. The Commission thanked Jerry for his dedication in coordinating the show and working to map out the placement and hanging of the works.

Village Gallery Exhibit — Village Board Room

Commissioner Sheban reported that the artist scheduled to display for March-April is Watercolorist Ken Call.

Artist in Residence — Northbrook Library

Commissioner Block has artists lined up for the June/July show.

Artist Workshops 2019

Nancy King Mertz (March 30-31) a well-known Plein Air Artist, and Amery Bohling (June 89) who specializes in seascapes, will teach artist weekend workshops in Northbrook. Price $225
per class with a discounted rate of S200 each if the participant registers for both classes. Chair Bondy expressed how great the instructors are and the workshops will pull attendees from across the region. We've already had several registrations and expect to get more.

**Northbrook Artist Studio Tour 2019**

The date for the tour will be November 9, 2019. There will be a second location at the Village Green building in addition to the Leisure Center. It was reported last month that Commissioner Siegel will oversee the event at the Village Green building and Park Staff will be at the Leisure Center.

**New Events/projects for 2019**

Architecture Tour project is still in the planning stages. Chairman Bondy has a lot of contacts and will be coordinating a presentation featuring the Village Hall. The Crate and Barrel headquarters building, designed by Perkins and Will, is another location of interest.

Bondy noted that Historical Society President Judy Hughes stated there are several Sears Homes in Northbrook and it would be great to have a tour of them as they are very historic. Perhaps a lecture and home tour could be coordinated.

Bondy indicated he saw the Promenade Players and was hoping to see if this would be an event we could schedule for Northbrook as an opportunity at the library.

**Western Michigan University Dance Project**

Commissioner Alvarez shared information about the Western Michigan University Dance project and that the group has made a trip to Northbrook in the past and given performances at Glenbrook North High School and Northbrook middle schools. This next performance will be on Monday, April 8 at GBN at 9:30am and at the Northbrook Library at 12:30pm. Commissioner Alvarez will work with Liaison Fayne-dePersio and Chair Bondy to promote. Commissioner Laughlin will include in the arts email newsletter. Each performance is about 30-40 minutes.

Commissioner Shavitz offered to input the emails from the 2018 Plein Air Viewer’s Choice entries as well as the Art brochure for the April exhibit.

**Announcements**

Commissioners inquired about "professional" badges to use during our special events. Liaison Fayne-dePersio will contact Commissioner Joan MacVay about suggested options.

Commissioner Schwartz inquired about getting notices so she can pass it along to her contacts to help promote our events. Commissioner Laughlin will make sure she gets the monthly e-newsletter.
Liaison Fayne-dePersio reminded Commissioners about fulfilling the Open Meetings Act requirements to retain their appointed positions.

Commissioner Laughlin noted the March 24 Northbrook Symphony Concert and that a local instructor is playing piano at concert and should be great show. He encouraged all to attend.

A Commissioner noted that Commissioner Madison Carroll's clarinet performance was exceptional at the Library. It was noted that she is truly a gifted musician.

ADJOURN

Commissioner Moyer moved, seconded by Commissioner Sills, to adjourn the meeting, all were in favor and the meeting adjourned at 7:57 pm.

Submitted by
/s/ Cheryl Fayne-dePersio