

MEETING MINUTES  
FARMINGTON AREA ARTS COMMISSION  
NOVEMBER 9, 2017 – 6:30 PM  
COSTICK CENTER – CONFERENCE ROOM  
28600 W. ELEVEN MILE ROAD  
FARMINGTON HILLS MI 48336

**CALLED TO ORDER BY:** CHAIRPERSON CARLETON AT 6:35 p.m.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Hadfield, Joshi, Jones, McDermott, Pike, Gradin, Blau, Hayes, Carleton

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Warner

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Rachel Timlin, Cultural Arts Supervisor/Staff Liaison; Maddi Carpenter-Crawford, MYC Liaison; Randy Bruce, FH City Council Liaison; Sean Deason, public guest

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

Motion by Carleton, support by Gradin, to approve the agenda as submitted.  
Motion carried unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES – October 12, 2017:**

Motion by Carleton, support by Pike, to approve the minutes as submitted.  
Motion carried unanimously.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Introduction of guest Sean Deason, local Music Producer/recording artist, graphic designer

**ART COUNCIL REPORT**

- Recent “meet and greet” at Ideal Bite. Commissioners McDermott, Gradin, Pike and Carleton in attendance.

**CULTURAL ARTS DIVISION REPORT**

- Ara Topouzian concert at the Players Barn on October 21
- Farmington Hills residents Dan and Katy Kestler’s exhibit closes this week (City Gallery, Costick Center)
- Cultural Arts Division now has full staff
- Grant from State of Michigan Awarded - \$16,000 to the FH Youth Theatre, including our new program, Young Playwrights. Program announced and application opened today. Please share the link.
- Youth Theatre Guys and Dolls performs November 30-December 3
- Exhibit Schedule available for 2017/18 season: City Hall Rotating Exhibits and Costick Center City Gallery
- Art on the Grand applications now open, aronthegrand.com
- Kids Art Alley applications open, aronthegrand.com
- Festival of the Arts – no specific theme this year, will focus on “the arts”.
- High School Art Awards Application and Artist in Residence/Distinguished Service award apps will be available online by November 17, easier process this year.
- Potential Harrison project to be discussed at Study Session/ City Council on Monday, November 13 at 6 pm.

**COMMISSION ACTION ITEMS: MISSION/BYLAWS**

- Commissioners reviewed, discussed and reworked the FAAC bylaws/mission statement for January 2018 deadline to FH Clerk’s office.
- Commissioners also reviewed and updated old information in Section 2-222, pg. 11 of Ordinance C-4-2017.
- Commissioners asked about clarification on how to word the bylaws because it is a joint commission with Farmington & Farmington Hills. Liaison Timlin will follow up with Clerk’s office.

**COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS**

- Commissioner Hayes met with Kate Knight, director Farmington DDA, who is looking to create a Public Art Committee for Downtown Farmington.
- Mayor's Youth Council Liaison Carpenter-Crawford will be helping produce a talk-show for the Mayor's Youth Council – would like to interview people about everything happening in the arts in Farmington/Farmington Hills.

**NEXT MEETING DATE:**

Discussion about December meeting – might be canceled due to expected low attendance.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Chairperson Carleton adjourned the meeting at 8:29 pm.

Minutes drafted by: Commissioner Blau