



**City Arts & Culture Commission
Meeting Minutes – Special Meeting
Wednesday, July 29, 2019, 6:30 pm
Executive Meeting Room, City Hall, 111 North Main St., Bristol, CT**

ATTENDEES: Lindsay Vigue, Kim Villanti, Juliet Norton, Bill Stortz,
Andrea Adams, Mark Walerysiak
ABSENT: Samantha Cloutier
COUNCIL LIAISON: Greg Hahn
GUESTS: Dave Fortier

I. The City Arts & Culture Commission was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Chair Lindsay Vigue.

Bill Stortz made a motion, seconded by Andrea Adams, to go to Item III on the agenda.

III. Discussion of Writers Workshop proposal

Dave Fortier answered questions about his proposal presented at the previous meeting. He will conduct interviews for the participants. Participants must commit to 8 weeks, and agree to present their work. They should be Bristol residents. All ages are welcome. The budget for the proposed workshop was reviewed.

Dave has spoken to Josh Medeiros and he is working logically to see if someone has to be around to open up the Page Park pavilion. Lindsay has checked with the Mayor to be sure this was okay from an ethics standpoint as Dave's wife is on the City Council. The fee was if the funds are not available but if the City funds this project then this would be for free. Other possibilities were discussed, for example, partial payment, scholarships, etc., or a refundable deposit – something to ensure that they attend and/or complete the course.

Dave Fortier excused himself from the meeting at 6:47 p.m. Discussion.

Greg Hahn excused himself from the meeting at 6:49 p.m.

Mark Walerysiak made a motion, seconded by Andrea Adams, that the City Arts & Culture Commission will support the Writer's Workshop and fund it for \$1,000. All present voted in favor and the motion passed.

Mark asked if there could be an element in their stories that has a Bristol connection. Could there be a monetary prize. Lindsay will bring this up in speaking to Dave.

II. Discussion of Budget for Skate Park Mural

Lindsay has met with Corey and he is available. The cost would be \$3,000. Joshua Medeiros asked if we could split the cost. This would be for the entire bowl area. Lindsay has also spoken to Jesse Jablon about publicity. He will come up with some concepts and let Lindsay know. Discussion.

Kim Villanti made a motion, seconded by Juliet Norton, that the City Arts & Culture Commission will fund \$1,500 for the skate park mural. All present voted in favor and the motion passed.

V. Adjournment

Kim Villanti made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:00 p.m., seconded by Andrea Adams. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Christine Cooper,
Recording Secretary