

HAMDEN ARTS COMMISSION AGENDA
Regular Meeting
Wednesday, February 1st, 2023
7pm
Via Zoom/ Telephonically

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Minutes

- 1. Call to Order:** Chairwoman Lushonda Howard called the meeting to order at 7:12 PM.
- 2. Attendance**
 - a. In Attendance:** Lushonda Howard, Chairwoman; Donna Elkin; Charles Kortsep; Charlotte Lefland; Peggy Craft; Lisa Morrison; Siobhan Carter-David; Marita Gargiulo; Susan Cutillo; Diane Brown
 - b. Absent:** Toure Diggs; George Moore; Alex Mickens
 - c. Also in Attendance:** Karen Bivens, Director of Arts, Culture, Recreation and Wellness; Liana Paglia, Commission Clerk
- 3. Approval of Past Minutes:** January 11th, 2023
 - a.** Ms. Elkin made a motion to approve the January 11th, 2023 minutes, which was seconded by Ms. Lefland. All were in favor.
- 4. Report of the Treasurer**
 - a.** Ms. Lefland updated the commission on the balance of the Peter Herald Gift Fund, which was \$6,700.71 as of December 30th, 2022. She has not yet received the Webster bank statements, so she will update the commission at the March meeting. She was also happy to report that the commission now has access to a debit card from the Webster account, which should make it easier to make payments, withdraw cash, and possibly set up a PayPal account.
- 5. Old Business**
 - a. Saturday/Sunday Series**
 - i.** Chairwoman Howard made a motion to add the Saturday/Sunday Series item to the agenda. She suggested that the final Saturday Series take place on March 25th and the final Sunday Series on March 26th. Ms. Carter-David made a motion to

approve the tentative final Saturday/Sunday Series schedule, which was seconded by Ms. Elkin. All were in favor. Ms. Lefland requested that each event have its own promotional flyer.

Chairwoman Howard asked all commissioners to please share their ideas for the AC logo to Mr. Diggs, so he can present some mockups at the March 2023 meeting.

b. Summer Concert Series Listening/ Voting Session

- i. After listening session, the commission voted on the following lineup for the 2023 Summer Concert Series:

Date		Genre	Artist	Alternate Artist
6/3	Hamden Fest		Steven Rodgers	Blue Trails
7/7	1 st Friday	DJs		
7/14	2 nd Friday	Cover	Herman Ham/ Buddha Luv Jonz	(Ms. Brown may have a connection)
7/21	3 rd Friday	R&B/ Soul	The Bernadettes (open) & Timmy Maia (main)	Nekita Waller (main) or The Lost Tribe (main)
7/28	4 th Friday		Grammy nominated (TBD)	
	ALT 4 th Friday	Jazz	Mandingo Ambassadors (open) & Doug Jones Band (main)	Prof. B & the Army of Love (open) & Nick di Maria (main)

All remaining commissioners voted on the above lineup. Chairwoman Howard, Ms. Craft, Ms. Lefland, Ms. Cutillo, Mr. Kortsep, and Ms. Carter-David all voted in favor.

Ms. Bivens reminded commissioners that if they wish to hold a Salute the Young Artists event, to please begin the planning process. Chairwoman Howard, Ms. Carter- David, Ms. Morrison, and Ms. Elkin formed a committee to begin the planning process.

6. Adjournment: Ms. Craft made a motion to adjourn at 9:02 pm. Ms. Morrison seconded, and all were in favor.

Submitted by: Liana Paglia, Commission Clerk