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Patricia O'Brien, Secretary
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MINUTES
ARTS AND CULTURE COMMISSION
Thursday, March 21, 2013
7:00 PM
Council Chambers
31 Wakefield Street, Rochester, NH

Present

Martha Fowler
Peter Ejarque
Peg Johnson
Matthew Wyatt
Patricia O'Brien

Absent

Pam Hubbard
Alan Reed-Erickson

- I. **Call to order** – The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM after Peter Ejarque arrived and the Commission had a quorum.
- II. **Roll Call** – Roll call was taken and is listed above.
- III. **Review of Minutes** – There were no minutes to review.
- IV. **Business**
 - a. Election of Officers – Nominations were opened and Matthew Wyatt was nominated for Chair, Peg Johnson was nominated for Vice Chair, and Pam Hubbard was nominated as Secretary. Nominations were closed and were approved unanimously.
 - b. Arts and Culture WEB Site and Calendar – There was discussion about having more of a web presence and the Commission could benefit. Mr. Wyatt said that he would put a template together to bring back and show everyone at the next meeting in April.
 - c. Arts in the Park – Everyone was in agreement that this would be a good thing but there is not enough time to make it happen this year. They discussed having one next year.
 - d. Presence on Metrocast and Channel 26 – The Commission discussed their desire to “get something out there” so people can see what they do and also see how much arts and culture there is in Rochester.
 - e. Arts and Culture Inventory – The Commission discussed the need to start a database inventorying all of the wonderful things Rochester has. It would be very helpful for citizens to find out information and for the Commission to use as well.
- V. **Other Business**
 - a. Peter Ejarque mentioned that he had started a Seacoast theater meet-up group on meet-up.com and everyone was welcome to join.

- b. Matthew Wyatt – mentioned that the Museum of Fine Arts is having their biennial on April 6th.
- c. The Commission also said that there was a chili and chowder event happening at the Lilac Grill soon and that the Opera House has many events scheduled and has been doing a great job. They agreed that their next meeting would be scheduled for April 18, 2013.

VI. Adjournment – the meeting adjourned at 8:15 PM.

Minutes submitted by James B. Campbell, Chief Planner.