## Lee's Summit Arts Council August 23, 2021 Meeting Minutes

- Call to Order Kemp Strickler, new Vice Chairman, called the meeting to order at 6:33 p.m., in the absence of new Council Chairman, John Schuler. Members present Jane Bollin, Jeannine Akins, Jennifer DeLuca, Jodie Fristoe, John Hardesty, and Kemp Strickler. Members absent Christina Phillips, Jazz Rucker, and Jeff Bertoncin, and City Council liaison, Hillary Shields.
- **II. Approval of July Minutes** Jeannine Akins moved to approve the minutes from the July 26, 2021 meeting. Jodie Fristoe seconded the motion which was unanimously approved.
- III. Budget Report Glenda Masters furnished everyone a copy of the comprehensive Cultural Arts Division fiscal year Budget to Actuals Expenses report. As was the case at our previous meeting, the Arts Council budget has seen no activity since grants were awarded. The current year's LSAC budget figures rolled over into the 2022 budget as of July 1.

## IV. New Business -

- a. The Arts Council budget has seen no activity since grants were awarded. The current year's LSAC budget figures rolled over into the 2022 budget as of July 1.
- b. City Manager, Steve Arbo, is scheduled make a presentation to the Lee's Summit City Council on Friday evening, August 27. Included in that will be the proposed structure for the reorganization for current Boards and Commissions within the City's operations.
- c. BRV, the management company responsible for creating the programming for the new Green Street Market Project, will be hosting meetings on September 17-18 and taking recommendations from potential stakeholders, including Arts and Cultural organizations, community groups, and various grant recipients.
- d. Several suggestions were introduced as possibilities for our State of the Arts Event. Having the event outside rather than inside (given ongoing concerns about Covid) received very positive feedback from Council members. Focus was on creating an informal event between 5:00-6:30 p.m. on October 16, perhaps on the City Hall Plaza, which would include the following: food trucks, the serving of doughnuts/hot chocolate, a small ensemble performing music, a muralist doing "live" painting, various grant recipients doing performance vignettes, and the possibility of the newly formed Jazz ensemble being the featured act.

## V. Old Business –

a. Glenda is continuing to carry out planning for the Arts and Culture Week which is currently slated for Oct. 8-17.

## VI. Roundtable -

- a. There were over 500 attendees at the Ice Cream Social held at the LS Historical Museum on August 10, and the Museum reported an estimated 300 visitors during the evening. The food, games for children, LS Symphony trio, and Blue Grass entertainment were an integral part of the much-enjoyed celebration of Missouri's Bicentennial. As a result, there is some consideration being given to making this (the Ice Cream Social) an annual event.
- b. The Fourth Fridays Summit Art Reception will be occurring on Friday, August 27, and Jodie Fristoe is planning to create some advertising which she will add to the Summit Art website.
- **VII. Adjournment -** Our next scheduled meeting is September 27, 2021. Kemp adjourned the meeting at 7:19 p.m.

Respectively, John Hardesty LSAC Secretary