



Cromwell Arts Alliance

MEETING

Monday, February 13, 2023

6:00 pm

Senior Center Dining Room (at Cromwell Town Hall)

Join virtually:

Join Zoom Meeting via your computer:

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Phone number: 1 646 558-8656

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Attendees: Paula Emanuele, Rosemary Matus, Bonnie Sprague, Wendy Wilkins, Karen Allen, Kathleen Johnson, Ann Grasso

Meeting Minutes

I. Call to order

Meeting called to order at 6:01 pm

II. Approval of agenda

Motion to approve made by Karen A., seconded by Wendy W., motion carried

III. Approval of minutes from the meeting on January 9, 2023

Motion to approve made by Rosemary M., seconded by Karen A., motion carried

IV. Public comments

None

V. Financial report

Received amazon smiles \$21.19. Current balance is \$3,179.04. tried to file our taxes and the website is giving a message that the site is undergoing maintenance. Our taxes are not due until May, so we have some time. Requested town funds for 2023/2024 and requested additional money.

VI. All other business

- a. **CCD Report** – Feb 25th is the coffee house in person this year at the Belden room at Cromwell Library. There will be raffle baskets available for bids. CAA is donating a basket to the event. CCD has decided not to do a SummerFest this year. Ann met with an engineering firm not connected with the town and town representatives and is waiting on a report. Rock Hunt - looking for painted rocks will be due by mid- April
- b. **Social Media/website** – archived old events. Updated agendas & minutes page with items for this year only.

VII. CAA Events

- a. **Photo Contest display at Town Hall** – about half the photos are printed. Once they are all printed, we will get them on display. Bonnie S. offered to assist with the display at Town Hall.
- b. **Recap Poetry Event** – fun event and very successful. We had 6 poets submitting work and a total of 9 poems submitted. Two of our poets were not able to attend due to unforeseen circumstances. One artist asked for someone else to read her work, we had Chris S (thanks Danielle) who did a wonderful job with the readings. One other artist asked that her poem be on display, so we did. We had a very successful talk back and everyone enjoyed the refreshments.
- c. **Traveling Bear Update** – need to pull the winners for both Holiday events and the Poetry event. The CAA Bear is at a new location “Hot Taco”.
- d. **Others** – Paint nights are a collaboration of CAA & at Cromwell Belden Library. Next Paint night is 3/8. There is also another night planned for April.

VIII. Community Events

- a. **Re-establish a connect with the schools** – Rosemary is meeting with the superintendent Enza M. Karen A would like to assist with the schools as well.
- b. **Middle & High School play donation** – Rosemary will also follow up with the superintendent. We will want to donate to each production by placing an Ad in their program.
- c. **Upcoming Events** – Photo contest display at Town Hall.

IX. Public Comments – agenda items only

None

X. Adjourn

Motion to adjourn made by Danielle T, seconded by Wendy W, meeting adjourned at 6:51 pm

Minutes Respectfully submitted by Paula Emanuele

2023 Meeting Dates:

Meetings are held on the Second Monday of the month (unless it is a holiday) at 6:00 pm. We will continue to meet in person in the Senior Center Dining Room (at Cromwell Town Hall), we will also continue to have an open zoom conference for those wishing to join virtually.

January 9	April 10	July 10	* Tuesday October 10
February 13	May 8	August 14	November 13
March 13	June 12	September 11	December 11

*Meeting held on Tuesday due to Holiday