



**Cromwell Arts Alliance**

**MEETING**

**Monday, June 6, 2022**

**6:00 pm**

**Cromwell Town Hall - Senior Center Dining Room**

Virtual Meeting – Zoom info below

(Phone number: 1 646 558-8656, Meeting ID: 998 0261 9219, Password: 990451)

**Meeting Minutes**

**Attendees:** Rosemary Matus, Paula Emanuele, Anne Grasso

**I. Call to order**

Meeting called to order at 6:04 pm

**II. Approval of agenda**

Motion to approve the agenda made by Rosemary M, seconded by Anne G. Motion carried.

**III. Approval of minutes from the meeting on May 2, 2022**

Motion to approve the minutes from May 2 made by Anne G, seconded by Rosemary M, motion carried.

**IV. Public comments**

None

**V. Financial report**

Amazon Smiles deposit on 5/31 of \$22.93. Current balance \$3,363.05.

**VI. All other business**

- a. CCD Report** – Anne G provided the update that James has stepped down from his CCD position. Summerfest is coming along. The audio tour is nearly finished with only 2 recitations missing. Anne is following up to see if they can publish what they have thus far and do the rest later. Paint by number project all the painting is complete, working on the assembly now. Paint parking spot has been approved by the Town Manager. CCD has acquired stencils and will be starting the painting soon. Joan Fosse and Dona Berstein will lead the next mural project “Wings”. Birdies for Charity is still going on. Cabinets for the police station was finished.
- b. CCT Updates** – No updates
- c. Scholarships** – The committee awarded the scholarships to Megan Camilleri and Angela Robak. They were informed via email. They have both accepted the invitation to attend

the July 11th meeting. Megan (college student) will be bringing her mother. Angela is 10yrs old so she will be accompanied by one or both of her parents. The other individuals were informed that they were not chosen via email. Danielle will plan to have the checks to present to Megan and Angela. Paula will make the certificates to be awarded. Scholarship awards will be added to the agenda for the July meeting after public comments.

- d. **Social Media/website** – Paula updated the website to remove reference to CCD being a division of CAA. Updated the Events tab – moved paper craft to Past Events tab. Added the CAA Traveling Bear info as well as updated upcoming events to mention Photo Contest in the summer and Poetry Event in the Fall. Updated the More tab to add and Agendas and Minutes page (these are not published on the town’s website as previously thought), also hid the pages with pictures of past events (most links did not bring any pictures and were also from 3+ years ago). Suggest adding a page to include some pictures of recent events.

## VII. CAA Events

- a. **Traveling Bear Update** – No pictures yet from Freddys. Rosemary will pick it up and possibly bring it to the paint night
- b. **Paint Night (6/8)** – Rosemary and her daughter will once again run this event co-sponsored with the Cromwell Belden Library.
- c. **Photo Contest** – on hold until the cemetery association has a handle on the landscaping issues they are currently having. The fall will be a possibility
- d. **Poetry Event** – Still working on a date for September. Revised the release and registration form. Will forward to the group for feedback.
- e. **Others** – none at this time

## VIII. Community Events

- a. **Memorial Day Parade** – Thank you to Dave Debaradino for donating his time and driving some of us on his beautiful classic car. Thank you to Sage C, Jay V, Paula E, Karen A and Rosemary M for representing the CAA in the parade.
- b. **CCD Summer Fest** – Rosemary stated that we would like to have a presence at the summer fest but she is unable to do it this year. We will put out a volunteer request and see if there is anyone that can volunteer to be at our tent and represent CAA. We could have the CAA Bear there for selfies, and maybe spotlight upcoming events or an artist. We will need to make a decision in the next couple of weeks due to vendor spots needing to be booked by the end of June.
- c. **LGBTQ Art Show** – Rosemary exchanged an email with Matt from LGBTQ committee and agreed to have an LGBTQ option available during the 6/8 paint night and if participants wanted to use it. Also, any paintings from that night could then be submitted to the art show if the participant wanted to.
- d. **Others – Farmer’s Market** – started last week, it was smaller than before. Could be due to early in the growing season and some of the farms from last year were not there due to not having insurance. **Middle School Building Project** - the vote for the Cromwell Middle School Building Project will take place Tuesday June 14th. Polls will be open Noon - 8pm at Cromwell High School.

## IX. Public Comments – agenda items only

None

**X. Adjourn**

Motion to adjourn made by Paula E, seconded by Anne G., meeting adjourned at 6:46 pm.

Minutes Respectfully submitted by Paula Emanuele

**2022 Meeting Dates:**

Starting in May our meetings will be held 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.

<b>January 3</b>	<b>April 4</b>	<b>*July 11</b>	<b>October 3</b>
<b>February 7</b>	<b>May 2</b>	<b>August 1</b>	<b>November 7</b>
<b>March 7</b>	<b>June 6</b>	<b>*September 12</b>	<b>December 5</b>

\*Meeting held on the second Monday of the month due to Holiday