WARREN CULTURAL COMMISSION MEETING

A meeting of the City of Warren Cultural Commission took place on Monday, April 14, 2025, pursuant to written notification to the Commission members.

April 14, 2025



MINUTES

- 1.) CALL TO ORDER: Meeting was called to order by Chairman at 5:04 pm. Jeff Cutter
- 2.) ROLL CALL and Introduction of new member Carl Weckerle: Paula Wild

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Jeff Cutter, Chairman, Shima Begum, Jon Oaks, Paula Wild, new member Carl Weckerle and guest Candice Mayer. **MEMBERS ABSENT:** Elaine DePalma, Rebecca Zainos.

Moved by Oaks, seconded by Begum to excuse Keri Pruse and Monica Papasian Motion Carried

MEMBERS EXCUSED: Keri Pruse, Monica Papasian.

3 ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA: Moved to accept the agenda by Jon Oaks, 2nd by Begum.

Motion carried

- **4.) SECRETARY'S REPORT**: report dated Dec. 2, 2024. Moved to approve by Oaks, 2nd by Begum.Motion carried **Paula Wild**
- **5.) FINANCIAL REPORT**: \$12,692.00 balance Moved to accept by Weckerle, 2nd by Oaks. Motion carried
- 6.) OLD BUSINESS:

a. Budget Meeting with Mayor Stone Very positive meeting.

Jeff Cutter & Jon Oaks

She is proposing a budget increase for the next fiscal year to assist with the costs of the Juneteenth program

b. Thomas H. Carey Concerts at the Square 2025

Jon Oaks

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Increase in budget for both summer and winter concerts is awaiting council approval. Talent is booked and awaiting completing submission of one group's paperwork.

Moved by Oaks, seconded by Begum to accept the talent for the Summer Concerts Motion carried

c. Juneteenth Jon Oaks

Scheduled for Saturday, June 19, 2025. Michael Howard, representative from the 2024 co-sponsoring organization, presented the plans for this day-long event, including entertainment, food trucks and local and dignitaries from the State of Michigan.

d. Winter Program Jon Oaks

The Stillwell program included a workshop from poet Rosemarie Wilson

and a jazz performance by pianist Matt Ball Jon Oaks

7. NEW BUSINESS:

a. Reappointments - Cutter, Oaks, Pruse, Wild

Jeff Cutter

Appointments booked with the Mayor for Cutter. Awaiting appointments for others.

b. Commission Vacancies – None at the present time

Jeff Cutter

c. Council of Commissions Appreciation Dinner -

Jeff Cutter

Scheduled for Monday June 19, 2025 at the Gazebo in Warren.

8.) ANNOUNCEMENTS -

Earth Day Park Clean-Up April 26, 2025.

Jon Oaks

Rinke Park assigned was , following a 10:00 a.m. kick-off at City Hall

Next Cultural Commission Meeting is Monday, June 16, 2025 at the Community Center **Jeff Cutter**

9.) ADJOURNMENT – 6:05 pm – Motion to approve by Wild, 2nd by Shima Begum Motion carried

Respectfully submitted,

Paula Wild, Secretary, Warren Cultural Commission cc: Warren City Clerk

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