

MINUTES
Town of Provincetown
Art Commission Meeting –Tuesday, April 25, 2000

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Present: Neva Hansen, Constance Black, Peggy Prichett, Peter Garza

Absent: 0

Meeting convened at 10:05 am in the Caucus room.

1. **Minutes** for meeting on March 14 were read. These minutes had already been sent to Mr. Nofield, town clerk. We needed minutes because it was a posted meeting even though we didn't have a quorum and the discussion was informal.
2. **Finances:** The question was raised, "How much money is left to spend before the fiscal year ends." Neva reported that Christina Bird has been paid for the last restoration job. We realized that we need a treasurer to keep track from meeting to meeting. Peter Garza expressed an interest in the position. Connie Black made a motion that Peter Garza be appointed as treasurer. Peggy Pritchard seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous to have Peter Garza function as treasurer primarily to keep track of money spent and balances left. Financial records were passed to Peter Garza. Peter read aloud the financial requirements of the Commission. He will review all records and report to the Commission at the next meeting
3. **Mail:** Neva reported that the acquisition policy and letter have been sent to the selectmen. We have received no reply as yet.
4. **Richard Pepitone:** Neva read letter from selectmen to Richard Pepitone which was in response to his application and complaint to the selectmen about restoring his sculpture. They told him that he must deal with the Art Commission. Neva as chairman has invited him to attend a meeting of the commission. After discussion we agreed that our position was that we were willing to clean the piece in order to stop any further deterioration but that because of lack of funds we could not sign off on a grant which could obligate the town to come up with \$8,000.00. However if he found the money up front then we could consider something more extensive.
5. **Hanging:** After discussion it was agreed that we would review walls in Town Hall and find spots where more work could be hung.
6. **Exhibiting:** Peter Garza suggested that we put together an exhibition policy to give to all departments and buildings where work is exhibited. We agreed to bring in suggestions at next meeting. We identified at least three concerns: space, security, and maintenance.
7. **Slides:** Connie Black will take the duplicate slides home to review and start to sort out slides for a slide show.
8. **Heritage Museum:** Since it is now warm enough to go into the Heritage Museum it was decided that we would set up a date in May to finally look at work and extract pieces for the Council On Aging offices.
9. **Post Cards:** Peggy Pritchard suggested that we get postcards with a piece of town art to sell in town to make a little money for restoration. We had a brief discussion about establishing a restoration fund. No vote was taken.

Next Meeting will be held at the Heritage Museum on Wednesday May 17 at 10:00 am.

Meeting adjourned at 11:25 am.