

HAMDEN ARTS COMMISSION MINUTES
Regular Meeting
Wednesday, November 3rd, 2021
7pm

Minutes

1. **Call To Order:** As a quorum was unable to be met, an informal discussion took place around 7:06 pm.
2. **Attendance**
 - a. **In Attendance:** George Moore; Donna Elkin; Sandra Schiff; Charles Kortsep; Charlotte Lefland; Lisa Morrison
 - b. **Absent:** Loraine Brown; Diane Brown; Siobhan Carter-David; Marita Gargiulo; Loraine Bornholdt-Brown; Margaret Craft; Diane X. Brown; Alex Mickens
3. **Approval of Past Minutes:** October 6th, 2021
 - a. As a quorum was unable to be met, the approval of the October 6th minutes will be tabled until next month's meeting.
4. **Retreat Recap**
 - a. There was a brief discussion regarding the upcoming commissioners' retreat. Ms. Lefland outlined and distributed a rough agenda for the retreat:
 - i. Introductions: how did we all come to the commission?
 - ii. What do we need to be a productive commission?
 - iii. Should we have a meet and greet with the new mayor?
 - iv. Proposed projects and programs?
5. **Old Business**
6. **New Business**
7. **Comments/ Suggestions**
 - a. Overall, the discussion centered on a general desire to improve the work that the commission does, so that it is on par with prior years' work. Several commissioners expressed a desire for more autonomous, fiscal control.
8. **Adjournment:** The informal discussion ended around 8:25 pm.

Submitted by: Liana Paglia, **Commission Clerk**