Minutes of the Neenah Arts Council Wednesday, September 11, 2019 - 4pm Neenah City Hall Hauser Room

**Members Present:** Chairman Tami Erickson, Pat Rosenak, Sean Keepers, Jane Lang, John Timmer, Lauri Asbury, Amy Michaels, Laura Kemps, Nikki Hessel, and Anne Marie Abderholden

Non-Voting Committee Members Present: Jim Kluge and Gretchen Raab

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 pm

The minutes were approved for the August 14, 2019 Neenah Arts Council meeting.

**Neenah Rocks -** Sean Keepers and Tami Erickson gave an update on this event. Sean will update the poster. Pat and Tami will distribute the poster throughout the community. The social media for the event was discussed. Ten locations throughout Neenah will be participating.

**Celebrate the Season** - Saturday, Dec. 7 - Holiday Book Theme. Each participant will select a holiday book to showcase at the next meeting. The council discussed the possibility of having the Santa Float across from City Hall during the event. The wagon rides will start at the Octagon House this year. Further discussion will take place at the next meeting.

## **Upcoming events:**

**Washington Park Grand Re-Opening Park -** Saturday, September 14<sup>th</sup>, 10 am - 1 pm. Free fun for the entire family including fitness and pickeball demos, park kart activities, prizes, and much more.

Bergstrom-Mahler Museum - Joyce Scott Coffee and Conversation - Friday, September 20, 12:30 pm - 2:30 pm. Informal meet and greet with Joyce J. Scott. Public welcome to gather with our special guest and view her work on exhibit in the Mahler Gallery. Scott's work is included in the permanent collections of the Smithsonian American Art Museum, the National Museum of African American History and Culture, the Metropolitan Museum of Art, the Museum of Arts and Design in New York, the Baltimore Art Museum, the Philadelphia Museum of Art, the Houston Museum of Fine Arts, and the Corning Glass Museum.

**4th Annual Pow Wow -** Saturday, September 21, 12:30 pm - 4 pm. Celebrate the Native American history and culture of this area. The pow wow will feature dancers and drum groups from throughout Wisconsin and the traveling exhibit "Bittersweet

Winds" will also be on display. Native American food and crafts will be available for purchase. The Neenah Landmarks Commission will also host free Voyageur Canoe rides launching from Shattuck Park.

Neenah Artworks: Uncovered Cast + Pour Art Gallery Wednesday, October 2, 6 pm - 9 pm at the Masonic Lodge 241 W. Wisconsin Avenue. A one night only pop-up art exhibit featuring manhole cover works of art transformed by local artists.

**Fox Cities 12th Annual 2019 Book Festival** October7 - 13. Each day a different Fox Cities community becomes the focus of the festival with all, or most, of the events taking place in one location. Events at the Neenah Public Library will be featured on Oct. 10 and Oct. 12. Visit <a href="https://foxcitiesbookfestival.org/events/">https://foxcitiesbookfestival.org/events/</a> for a complete schedule of events.

Neenah High School Fall Musical "Seussical the Musical" - October 9 - 13.

A musical perfect for the whole family, Seussical takes us into the world of Dr. Seuss, where we revisit beloved characters including The Cat in the Hat, Horton the Elephant, Gertrude McFuzz, Lazy Mayzie, and JoJo. Seussical weaves a story of friendship, loyalty, and love and teaches us the power of being unique and the importance of fighting for your beliefs. Shows are at 7:00 pm on Oct. 9 - 12, and at 2 pm on Oct. 13. Tickets are \$8 or \$10 each and are available online at <a href="www.rocketplayers.com">www.rocketplayers.com</a> or at the door, starting one hour before each performance.

Valley Academy of the Arts - October 18 -19 Open Rehearsal of the Nutcracker

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, October 9 at 4pm at Neenah City Hall in the Hauser Room.

Respectfully submitted, Tami Erickson Neenah Arts Council Chairman

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