

**CUMBERLAND COUNTY CULTURAL AND HERITAGE  
COMMISSION MINUTES**

**December 19, 2019**

The regular meeting of the Cumberland County Cultural and Heritage Commission was held on Thursday, December 19, 2019 at 4:00 PM., at Cumberland County Administration Building Bridgeton, New Jersey.

**Present:** Penny Watson                      Robert Dragotta  
                  Maria Cerda-Moreno              Marianne Lods

Matthew Pisarski, Assistant Planning Director  
Jennifer Morgan, Recording Secretary

**Approval of Minutes – November 21, 2019**

Postponed until next meeting.

**Lottery of 2020 Re-grantee Assignments**

Mr. Pisarski will send out award letters to the re-grantees with your contact information. Mr. Pisarski will email Commission members contact information for their organizations.

- (1) Ms. Merighi – All That Dance Studio, Cumberland Players, PRAC of SNJ, Vineland African American CDC
- (2) Ms. Watson – The Barn Studio of Art, Festival Puertorriqueno, Seabrook Buddhist Temple, Vineland Historical & Antiquarian Society
- (3) Ms. Yoshida – Bayshore Center at Bivalve, Gallery 50, Vineland Regional Dance Co.
- (4) Mr. Thakur – Boys & Girls Club of Vineland, Gateway CAP, CHABA
- (5) Mr. Dragotta – Bridgeton Main Street, Greater Bridgeton, CC Library
- (6) Ms. Cerda-Moreno – Bridgeton Public Library, Hands in Action, Maurice River Historical Society
- (7) Ms. Lods – City of Vineland, Jewish Federation, Mauricetown Historical Society
- (8) Mr. Cagno – Clay College, Millville Public Library, Millville Army Air Field Museum
- (9) Vacant – CC Black Hall of Fame, Off Broad Street Players, Seabrook Educational & Cultural Center

**2020 Officers' Slate and Nominations**

The recommended slate of officers are:

Ms. Watson – Chair  
Ms. Merighi – Vice Chair  
Mr. Cagno – Treasurer  
Ms. Yoshida – Secretary

The officer's will be finalized in January.

**West Jersey Time Traveler Podcasts – Shoot the Moon Productions**

Keith Wasserman sent in his quote to finish the podcast work, the quote is \$6,000. County

Engineering is paying for a podcast to be done regarding Bridgeton City Park and the three hump back bridges. Mr. Dragotta asked how does someone make a suggestion for a podcast site. Mr. Pisarski said the Commission decides on new sites and sites should be on the state and national registry or have terminations of eligibility. Ms. Lods asked if the Commission website listed the podcast sites, the list is on the website but it needs work. Ms. Watson asked if we knew how many hits the podcast page gets. Mr. Pisarski said we do track it but the page needs to be cleaned up and then he will check the numbers. Ms. Lods suggested doing a press release when the project is finished.

Ms. Watson got the City of Bridgeton a \$50,000 grant to restore the bridge keepers building (Broad St.). Unfortunately they did not use the grant.

### **Revised Billboard Design for Suffrage Campaign**

The Commission is working with the clerk's office on a billboard campaign regarding the counties roll in the women's suffrage movement. The Commission is giving \$1,500 to help with the billboard. Mr. Pisarski will inform the Commission of the location of the billboard.

### **Liaison Reports**

#### **Tourism Advisory Council Comments – Kimberly Gauntt**

Postponed until next meeting.

### **Other Old/New Business**

Mr. Pisarski will email the letter to the Commission regarding the demolition at 202 Sharp St. in Millville

### **Correspondence**

### **Adjourn**

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Ms. Merighi. The motion was seconded by Mr. Dragotta and passed unanimously.