

**Art Commission
Meeting of
July 9, 2004, 3:00 PM
Town Hall, Provincetown, MA 02657**

Members Present: Stephen Borkowski, Chair; Georgia Coxe; Peggy Prichett; and James Bakker

Excused Absence: Peter Siegel, Co-Chair

Stephen Borkowski, Chair, called the meeting to order at 3:00 PM.

Stephen Borkowski then welcomed Jim Bakker to the Commission and expounded on his contribution to the art scene in Provincetown.

The Chairman then presented the minutes of the meeting of June 11, 2004. A motion was made to accept the minutes as presented.

Moved by: Peggy Prichett **Seconded by:** Georgia Coxe **Yea: 3 Abstained: 1**

Jim Bakker abstained, as he is a new member and was not in attendance at the meeting of June 11th.

Peggy Prichett presented the Treasurer's Report and explained various items in detail. Time was taken to explain to budget to Jim Bakker, a general discussion of the budget followed.

Stephen Borkowski gave the Chairman's report, during this he stated that Robyn Watson had confirmed the arrival of the Hawthorne "mudhead" and the Webster snow scene safely at the conservator in Maine. Ms. Watson has been conducting tours at Town Hall and gave an initial tour for the Town employees. It was agreed after discussion that more publicity would help to attract the public.

The Chairman noted the favorable comments received regarding the re-hanging of painting in Town Hall and the members of the Art Commission expressed their satisfaction with the re-hanging in general.

It was noted that several pieces were being re-framed and that the works hung would change periodically to rotate the collection both to stimulate interest and for the care of the art works, particularly works on paper which should not be exposed to light for long periods of time. It was noted that several offices including the Assessors office had requested a change of artwork and it was noted that requests would be addressed after mid-September.

The Chairman noted that the position of Alternate Member on the Art Commission remains open.

The personal computer, as budgeted, has been ordered and will be placed in the art storage area for the use of the for the use of the Collections Manager as well as Commission members to prepare correspondence, financial data related to the Art Commission.

A question was raised regarding the database connected with the Town website and what it should contain. It was agreed that all the information gleaned from old historical museum records would eventually be incorporated, inventory data being confirmed by the Collections Manager, as well as the corrected data that she has compiled. It was agreed that any software issues would be addressed to Gary Delius by the Collections Manager.

Jim Bakker raised questions regarding the apportioned values of paintings on the Town's master insurance policy. It was agreed to request a copy of the policy from the Town Clerk and Jim would review for the next meeting.

New Business

