

MASSILLON COMMUNITY ARTS COUNCIL

February 2025 Meeting Minutes

02/10/2025

6:00pm-7:07pm

In Attendance: Ben Young, Bruce Budd, David Dingwell,
Israel Robinson, Miranda Marsh, Natalie Spuhler, TJ Heaton

The quARTer update:

- In January, the Chamber of Commerce shared the alley proposal video they created to submit for project grant funding. Bruce has drawn up some design suggestions to share with chamber president, Debbie, in a second meeting to be scheduled later this month/early March. Israel to attend as well.
- A future meeting with Mayor Slutz to be arranged to share alley signage design ideas, get approval and ask if the city can donate supplies/funds.

<u>Gallery/Studio space update:</u>

- We have been in contact with Paul Vincent, the owner of the apartment building across from the museum. There are some business spaces available that might be an option for us.
 A meeting to view the space and discuss details is in the works.
- Within the potential space we discussed having a lightly used art supply store, book store, holding art classes, a shared creative space, etc. as a way to help create reasons to walk our downtown. This will be an ongoing topic and open for feedback.
- The Howard's Tiger Rags storefront is now empty. Could this have potential? Looking for details on this space and what plans, if any, are in the works..
- There is an empty space above Erie St Vinyl. Miranda spoke with Samantha and walked the space/took photos. Israel and Miranda to revisit. More info tbd..

Other updates:

- Checks were ordered! Israel met with Maja at PNC Bank. They spoke about grants and Maja recommended MCAC open a second account to prevent fraud activity. This topic will be discussed further
- Awaiting a response from Tremont Coffee in regards to rental fee for space to hold a MassCreatives Event in 2025

- Art Bomb Tattoo has an exposed exterior wall since Bonnie's Engravers was razed. TJ Heaton (owner) has offered the space for a mural once it has been resurfaced. More info tbd..
- Fashion Show will be pushed to 2026. This will be an ongoing topic as we gather ideas and decide how we want to present the event. We want this to make an impact, so we don't want to rush it!

Next Meeting:

03/10/2024 6:00pm-7:00pm at The Nook (12356 Millersburg Rd. S.W Massillon 44647)