

Commission for the Arts
Mallory Town Hall
Sherman, CT
November 13, 2025
Regularly Scheduled Monthly Meeting

Present: Chairperson Denise Schlesinger; Vice Chairperson Linda Hubbard; MaryJane Magoon; Amber Vlangas; Ashleigh Blake; Nicole Zegley, Recording Secretary

Present on Zoom: Susanna Marker; Christy Bonaiuto

Absent: Henry Cooperman; Terri Hahn

Audience: None

7:08PM - D. Schlesinger called the meeting to order.

D. Schlesinger requested a motion to approve the minutes from October 9, 2025. L. Hubbard made the motion. MJ. Magoon seconded.

D. Schlesinger began the meeting with an update from L. Hubbard on distribution progress of the Sherman Arts and Culture brochure. Over 570 brochures have been distributed at The Daily Market, Sherman Wine and Spirits, Senior Center, Town Hall, American Pie, Sacred Grounds, and Barn Gallery. L. Hubbard requested looking outside of town, possibly Luks Realty or other realty agencies.

D. Schlesinger moved the meeting to N. Zegley to update the commission on the Sherman Holiday Lights Tour. Families will be asked to sign up in November, to be fully decorated by the first week of December. To kick off the event a drive thru on the Sherman Green. The location has already been reserved for December 13 at 5PM. Cookies will be supplied by American Pie, hot cocoa was offered at a discounted price from Sacred

Grounds, and maps of home locations will be printed. There will also be Christmas Carolers from the Sherman Congregational Church. Park and Rec will be filling in financial gaps with an approved \$300 towards gift cards and/or supplies for the event. N. Zegley reached out to Don Lowe who agreed to be one of the judges for the event as well as Christy Bonaiuto and a member from Park and Rec.

L. Hubbard moved the Meeting to Holiday Events. The town will be having their tree lighting and toy drive, Sherman Historical Society Meet Santa, etc. Press releases have been submitted to the Town Tribune.

L. Hubbard updated the Commission on their activities. The high school art show has been put off until L. Hubbard and N. Zegley have more time to dedicate to it. The library is currently booked as well and can't support the event at this time.

D. Schlesinger moved the meeting to the Expiration of Commissioners in January of 2026, it includes the chair, vice chair and all commissioners. A survey was done of current members present at the meeting.

Denise Schlesinger - Resigning

Linda Hubbard - Renewing

MaryJane Magoon - Renewing

Amber Vlangas - Resigning

Ashleigh Blake - Resigning

Christy Bonaiuto - Renewing

Susanna Marker - Renewing

Terri Hahn - ABSENT

D. Schlesinger requested the committee to please reach out to any interested parties to fill the open seats. A. Vlangas suggest reaching out to Don Lowe for suggestions

New Business: NONE

Old Business: NONE

Public Comment: NONE

D. Schlesinger made a motion to adjourn.

A. Blake seconded the motion.

Meeting adjourned at 7:51PM

Minutes Respectfully Submitted by Nicole Zegley