

Commission for the Arts
Mallory Town Hall
Sherman, CT
March 12, 2026
Regular Monthly Meeting

Present: Vice Chairperson Linda Hubbard (acting as chair); MaryJane Magoon; Brett Pransky

Recording Secretary: Nicole Zegley

Present on Zoom: Donna Kennedy; Christy Bonaiuto; Terri Hahn (7:19)

Absent: Susanna Marker; Caitlin Mandracchia

Audience: None

7:05PM - L. Hubbard, acting as Chair, called the meeting to order.

Approval of Minutes: L. Hubbard requested a motion to approve the minutes from February 12, 2026. MJ. Magoon motioned for approval. B. Pransky seconded, which passed unanimously.

Welcome New Commissioners: L. Hubbard welcomed new commissioners, Brett Pransky and Donna Kennedy. Caitlin Mandracchia was unable to attend. Another commissioner, Laura Jagodzinski, will be joining once she is approved by the Board of Selectmen. L. Hubbard confirmed that all commissioners have been sworn in. She also requested a small bio and photo from each commission to be used at the Community Expo.

Art & Culture Brochure: L. Hubbard explained that S. Marker was attempting to get the brochures to realtors to distribute at open houses. D. Kennedy will continue distributing, working from her own list and S. Markers and check brochure levels at Limoncello. C. Bonaiuto will replenish brochures at American Pie and The Daily Market. MJ Magoon will check supplies at Barn Gallery, White Silo, JCC and Sacred Grounds. L. Hubbard

explained to the new members that 1200 brochures were printed and approximately 500 remain.

Sherman Community Expo (May 2, 2026): L. Hubbard updated the commission on the progress of the Expo. Invitations have gone out with a deadline of March 19. C. Bonaiuto created a Jot Form and 5 organizations have responded, Deer Pond, JCC, The Sentinel, Social Services and Sherman Congregational Church. FISH is unable to attend this year. A save the date was posted in the Town Tribune and The Sentinel. L. Hubbard shared the new logo for the new expo signs. L. Hubbard will send the new logo to C. Bonaiuto to update the Jot Form. L. Hubbard also mentioned creating a Sherman basket of small gifts as a giveaway. MJ Magoon offered to supply the tent and to collect the giveaway items. B. Pransky offered a table and prizes for the scavenger hunt. N. Zegley to run the scavenger hunt. T. Hahn offered to man the table. C. Bonaiuto suggested children's events to draw more people (face painting, Ms. Cheryl, Jesse's Ice Cream). D. Kennedy reached out to C. Mandracchia to see if a group of kids could do a skit. L. Hubbard added that Jaime Seymore and Betsy Duckworth will be manning the Sherman Artist table and possibly doing build a bug.

L. Hubbard made a motion to add to the agenda a discussion on special spring events. Seconded by B. Pransky.

L. Hubbard is looking for help capturing information on the Memorial Day event. The barn tag sale, artists supply sale, library soiree and book sale.

L. Hubbard made a motion to add to the agenda a discussion of the CFTA Facebook page. Seconded by B. Pransky.

L. Hubbard updated the commission that to date, she and C. Bonaiuto are the only members that can post on the CFTA Facebook page. The page currently has 179 followers, and in the last month 858 views and 79 people engaged. B. Pransky offered to look at the page, but wasn't signing up yet.

New Business: L. Hubbard has moved the April 9th meeting to 6PM instead of 7PM due to a conflict. Sherman doesn't have a definition of an art gallery and public comments on her March proposal will be permitted at the zoning meeting on April 9th at 7PM.

Old Business: None

Public Comment: None

Adjournment:

L. Hubbard requested a motion to adjourn. Motioned by T. Hahn, Seconded by MJ Magoon.

Meeting adjourned at 7:55PM

Minutes Respectfully Submitted by Nicole Zegley