

**Northeastern CT Art Guild Inc
Members' Meeting Minutes**

June 12, 2025

**Putnam Municipal Complex, 200 School St, Putnam CT 06260 – Room
112 5:30 pm – 6:00 pm, Social Time. 6:00 pm – 7:45 pm meeting and
presentations**

**Attendance: Jean Arcand, Tom Thorton, Anna Mancini, Adele
Karbowski, Jay Bartholomew, Julie Caprera, Scott Robinson, Alla
Markelova, Steve Veilleux, Alison Ciarlante, David Lamontagne, Bruce
Fitzback, Judy Doyle, Angela Kasper, Beth Johnston, David Sullivan**

1. Call to Order: Beth Johnston, President, called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.
2. Approval of Minutes from June 5th members meeting: A motion was made by Julie Caprera to approve the Minutes, and it was seconded by Anna Mancini.
3. Treasurer Report & Membership – Steve Veilleux: Checking account has \$14,624. 79 members.
4. Hospitality - Thank you to Anna Mancini and Jean Arcand, and David Lamontagne for tonight's refreshments. See Jen Atwood to sign up for our next meetings
5. Open Business
 - a. Exhibits – See updates in Monday's Newsletter
 - i. Vanilla Bean update – Julie Caprera reported that there were 4 sales. Deb Leblanc, Lori Smolin, Nancy Dougherty, and Devon Asselin.
 - ii. Courthouse – Swap out is Thursday June 26th^h, 10-11am, She is looking for pieces with a Summer Theme, and not big (see prospectus for details} Julie Caprera
 - lii. Articles: Alison Ciarlante. Swap out is June 18th. Looking for 3-4 more artists with smaller pieces.
 - iv. Day Kimbal Ortho Group – The new exhibit will be determined sometime in July.
 - v. Jewett City – Jay Bartholomew for June, booked through Dec..
 - b. Classes – See updates in Monday Newsletter
 - i. Alan James – Watercolor
 - ii. Anna Mancini – Beading and wire wrapping classes
 - iii. Jen Atwood – Charcoal Drawing
 - iv. Adele Karbowski- will be offering a class in watercolor, on June 14th. From 10:30-12:00.
 - c. Events – See updates in Monday Newsletter

- i. Art in the Park – September 21st, 11-4, Seven Awards- Jen Atwood
- ii. Taylor Brook update – Alison Ciarlante.
- iii. Pluck-a-Duck
 - 1. Looking for someone to sell tickets at one of below
 - a. July 24th, 3:30 – 5:30pm, Putnam Farmers Market, Kennedy Drive Judy Doyle volunteered for 24th or 26th.
 - b. July 26th, 10am-1pm, Putnam Farmers Market, Kennedy Drive
 - d. Follow-up with Judy Doyle on Scholarship We will look at next year's budget to see what is left over. A discussion ensued.

6. New Business

- a. Exhibits – See update in Monday Newsletter
 - i. Day Kimball Hospital Ortho Exhibit – Lisa will share details about takedown in July soon.
- b. Events – See updates in Monday Newsletter
 - i. Colonial Health & Rehab – Openings in Fall – Jen Atwood
 - ii. Putnam Fine Arts & Crafts Festival – artists to share and sell their work on Saturday, June 21st and Sunday June 22nd
 - 1. Participate in selling your art without paying a booth fee
 - 2. Need artists for the following timeslots
 - a. Saturday 10-Noon, Noon – 2pm, 2pm – 4pm
 - b. Sunday 10-Noon, Noon – 2pm, 2pm – 4pm
 - c. More than one artist can be there at the same time.
 - d. An artist can stay longer than the 2-hour time period, if desired
 - e. Jay, Jeff and Carmine will help set up so you just need to show up with your artwork.

A sign-up sheet was circulated, and slots were filled.

- c. Social Media Growth – Jay Bartholomew
 - i. Share pictures of Guild events, or your personal art exhibits, along with some information about the event/artwork to share on Facebook and Instagram.
 - ii. Send to Marketing@ArtGuildNE.org
- d. Other : A committee has been formed to begin a search for a gallery space/home base for our Art Guild. Jay Bartholomew, Angela Kasper, and Jen Atwood. Any other interested members are welcome to join us.

7. Adjourn: Julie Caprera made a motion to adjourn at 6:42 p.m. and it was seconded by Steve Veilleux.

8. Presentation: "Making with Mud" – Sawmill Pottery manager, David Sullivan

Respectfully submitted,
Angela Kasper