

**Northeastern CT Art Guild Inc
Annual Members' Meeting Minutes
June 11, 2026**

**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: Angela Kasper, Tammy Knowlton, Tom Menard, Scott Dyer
Robinson, Deb LeBlanc Alla Markelova, Alison Ciarlante, Karen McFarlin, Steve
Veilleux, Marcia Donofrio, Jen Atwood, Anna Zonlin, Adele Karbowski, Caryl
Crouse, Carmine Angelone**

1. Call to Order: Beth Johnston, President, called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.
2. Approval of Minutes of May 14, 2026: Scott Robinson made a motion to approve the Minutes, and the motion was seconded by Karen McFarlin. All were in favor.
3. Treasurer's Report & Membership – Steve Veilleux: Steve reported that we have 61 members and \$16,434.29 in our treasury.
4. Hospitality – Thank you Scott Robinson, Marcia Dinofrio, Alla Markelova and Jen Atwood 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. Courthouse take down October 5th 10am
 - ii. ARTicles Gallery – Pick up now **July 1st**
 - iii. Jewett City – June Artist, Angelica Hoffman. July Open. See website to register.
 - b. Monday Newsletter Support – Will continue to send the newsletter through the summer. Please send details about your art activities to share. All submissions need to be written properly and completely (dates, times, locations, URLs, full sentences) and sent by Sunday at 6pm.
 - c. Classes – See updates in Monday Newsletter
 - d. Events – See updates in Monday Newsletter
6. New Business
 - a. Future Exhibits
 - i. July - Juried Member Exhibit - Silver Circle Gallery
 1. No Hanging Fees
 2. Registration:
<https://artguildne.org/silver-circle-member-juried-exhibit/>
 3. Deadline for Entry -June 26th, 2026
 4. Dropoff - July 1st, 4-6pm (time to be confirmed) 3 pieces.
 5. Awards Reception– Saturday July 18th, 5 – 7 pm
 6. Take down – Friday July 31, time 1-2pm

7. This exhibit is being funded by a \$1000. Grant from the Putnam Arts Council.
 - ii. October – Gladys E Kelly Library, 2 Lake Street, Webster MA
 1. Dropoff, Wednesday October 14th, 1-2pm, hanging 2-4pm
 2. Reception, Tuesday October 20th 5-7pm
 3. Take down, Monday, November 30th 4-6pm
 4. Prospectus will be posted online closer to October.
 - b. Member Cookout – Looking to plan something for August. Watch the newsletters for details.
 - c. The Last Green Valley Inc.: Taste of the Valley feast and fundraiser at the Public House Historic Inn, in Sturbridge MA, Sunday Aug. 30, 2026.
 - d. Opportunity to exhibit at Elizabeth Fecteau's new gallery in Middletown, CT. Drop-off art at Alison Ciarlante's house in Woodstock: Tues. June 30th 1-4 for 2 pieces, any size. Thurs. July 16 reception and ribbon-cutting.. Theme is Sunflowers, and flowers.
 - e. Tom Menard is looking into exhibit opportunities in Willimantic, CT. Possible 2028 Art Show at Kerri Gallery at 861 Main Street.
 - f. Muralfest 2028: Fundraising goal has already been exceeded.
7. Adjourn: Alison Ciarlante made a motion to adjourn at 6:31. The motion was seconded by Marcia Donofrio. All were in favor.
8. Guest Artist: James Polisky is an award-winning Rhode Island based artist and graphic designer whose current body of work blends original drawings and designs with a color separation background, resulting in either limited run editions or one-of-a-kind hand printed silkscreen.
The subject matter is mostly character driven, often rooted in humor and satire. The viewpoint ranges from monotonic bliss, a desperately uncertain future, political unrest, or simple low brow commentary, all hopefully blanketed by an appreciation of a single day to be alive and kicking.

Respectfully submitted,,
Angela Kasper, Secretary