

Town Arts Committee
1-8-13 **Draft Minutes**

Members present: Sarah Rice (Chair) Doug Cox (recorder pro-temp), Stephen Dybas, Kate Anderson, Barb Sondag. Guests Present Jesse de la Rosa, Susan Rosano

1. Called to order at 4:05, It was confirmed that the **meeting was warned**.
2. **Minutes of 12-11-12** were approved with correction to “I-91 Bridge under other business
3. Jesse de la Rosa spoke about his work in public health policy and his understanding of the connection with healthy community arts. He is working on a Healthy Community Designation that would focus the measure of success of a municipality from economic activity to physical, mental and social health of its residents and institutions.
4. Susan Rosano spoke about her public art work in Connecticut with banners and trash/recycling containers. New to the area she wants to find local uses for her experience.
5. Anderson reported that a contract will be signed soon for track 1 of the NEA Our town project with the Conway School of Design. A report completing this phase of mapping the cultural and current creative place-making assets of the town will be completed by April 15. The advisory committee will meet with the mapping team on Jan 21.
6. Barb reports that committee report for the printed Town Reports is due by Jan 11. Doug will do a first draft and send around.
7. We discussed the role of the Arts and Culture section of the Town Plan and how it relates to TAC goals and actions in 2013. Sondag said the plan can inform, guide, or inspire actions depending on the context. Anderson, Rice & Cox will meet to review all the points in the draft Town Plan and report how they might translate into committee goal for 2013.
8. Rice will poll the committee and see if there is a better regular meeting time

9. Adjourned at 5:30

Next meeting Tuesday, February 12, 4:00 pm, Hanna Cosman room.

Respectfully submitted,
Doug Cox