



## CITY OF DANBURY CULTURAL COMMISSION

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MINUTES OF JULY 26, 2010

Present: B. DaSilva, M. Schwartz, H. Bechard, J. Cherry, H. Center, B. Feinson, M. Burke

Minutes of last meeting were accepted with two corrections: June 28 minutes; J. Cherry was not present.

1. **Greater Danbury Irish Festival**, Irene Walsh Albert, requested \$1,000 for the festival] Sept. 24-26 at Ives Concert Park, \$12 admission, children free. It will include music, Dancers, speakers, storytellers, workshops, cultural exhibits and crafts. The festival Was initiated to raise funds for their Irish Center which is now built, and to have interaction with the Irish and Danbury communities.

2. **David Bonan, Still River Film**, requested \$2,000 for filming the history of Danbury's Still River. It will include interviews with local residents, extensive history and photos of the river, and its importance to the Danbury industry, and a soundtrack of local artists. It will be narrated by Paul Rotello. Bonan presented his background as a journalist and film maker. He will be working with a small crew on this 30 minute documentary.

**Report on DCC sponsored events:** *Musicals at Richter's "42<sup>nd</sup> St."* was well done, H. Bechard reported; M. Schwartz reported that the *St. James Carillon concerts* were very good.. B. DaSilva reported that the *Robert Rogers Puppet Show* was very good and well received by the audience.

**Coordinator's Report:** M. Siegel reported that both of the *puppet shows* were new and appreciated by children and parents. She reported that the Danbury Museum's *Charles Ives plaque* sponsored by the DCC would appear in an appropriate place.

Action Taken: H. Center moved we grant \$900 to the Irish Festival; B. Feinson seconded motion which was passed. Film Project: M. Burke moved we grant \$500; M. Schwartz seconded the motion which was passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 pm. *Next meeting will be August 23.*

Mildred Siegel, Coordinator

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