

MINUTES
JOINT MEETING OF
LODI CITY COUNCIL AND
LODI ARTS COMMISSION
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 30, 1991
7:00 P.M.
DEGROOT HALL, WALNUT/CHURCH STREET, LODI

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Hinchman and Lodi Arts Commission Chairman Bennett.

Roll was recorded by the City Clerk as follows:

Present: Council Members - James W. Pinkerton, Jr., Jack A. Sieglock, John R. (Randy) Snider, and David M. Hinchman (Mayor)

Absent: Council Members - Phillip A. Pennino

Present: Lodi Arts Commission Members - Tim Mattheis, Harmon Skillin, Eleanor Kundert, Eileen St. Yves, Don Levey, Kathy Manwaring, Virginia Snyder, Raquel Thompson, Jon Withers, and Barbara Bennett, Chairman

Absent: Lodi Arts Commission Members - None

Also present were - City Manager Tom Peterson, Assistant City Manager Glenn, and City Clerk Reimche

Representatives from the Lodi News Sentinel were also in attendance.

Chairman Bennett welcomed the group and asked for self-introductions.

Mayor Hinchman talked about the history of the Lodi Arts Commission and the fact that today there is new life in the Commission--that each member has a real mission and purpose in serving.

Vice Chairman Tim Mattheis addressed the group about the mandate of the Commission, the direction of the arts in Lodi, and what the Commission is trying to accomplish. Mr. Mattheis gave a brief history of each of the following Lodi Arts Commission sponsored groups:

- Tokay Players
- Central Valley Public Theatre
- Children's Summer Theatre
- Lodi Children's Chorus
- Lodi Community Band
- Lodi Symphony Orchestra
- Lodi Writers Association
- Stockton Chorale
- Lodi Community Concert Association

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Senior Outreach

Mr. Mattheis indicated that the Arts Commission lacks tools for promoting the arts in Lodi and made the following suggestions:

- a) Developing a high quality brochure or recapitulation of arts in Lodi;
- b) Formulating a video or slide program on the Arts Commission and its program;
- c) Developing a calendar of events;
- d) Developing an arts in public places program;
- e) Funding research including formalizing a grant program; and
- f) Consider the hiring of a full-time or part-time executive director.

A lengthy discussion followed regarding the report with the following additional suggestions being made:

- a) Development of multi-cultured diversity programs in the City of Lodi;
- b) Close coordination with the Parks and Recreation Department in the development of programs;
- c) Development of a calendar of events and/or quarterly newsletter;
- d) Expanded involvement of children in various arts programs; and
- e) The need for expanded lines of communication between the Lodi Arts Commission and the Lodi City Council.

Mayor Hinchman expressed sincere appreciation to the Lodi Arts Commission for the very delicious dinner and for the opportunity to share matters of mutual concern.

Following closing remarks by both Mayor Hinchman and Chairman Bennett, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 9:35 p.m.

Attest:


Alice M. Reimche
City Clerk