

City of Norwich Ellis Walter Ruley Committee  
2016\_06\_13Ellis Ruley Committee Minutes

Attendance: Frank Manfredi, Lottie B. Scott and Shiela Hayes, Frank Manfredi

Guest: Robert Groner

Meeting was convened at 10:09am.

A motion to approve the Minutes of April was made by Lottie B. Scott and seconded by Shiela Hayes. Motion carried.

**Financials:** Financial Report submitted cash of \$9,378.69. No change from April financials.

**Fundraising:**

Request the Norwich Historical Society include 2 permanent panels as part of the Emancipation Trail State Grant. Look into the Ford Foundation or the National Foundation of the Arts to seek a large grant. Shiela is looking into the local grants. Lottie is looking into getting a 2<sup>nd</sup> fundraiser at Mohegan Sun. Lottie will continue to pursue the Circle of Friends for donations of \$1,000.00.

**Old Business**

No Update from NPW.

**New Business:**

Ellis Ruley Park Sub-Committee to include Frank Manfredi, Robert Groner and Joe Cooper. This committee will design and create the park/sanctuary for residents, visitors and artist.

Mary Ellen Jukoski, President of the Three Rivers Community College, has committed the college and Sandra Jeknavrian, Associate Professor of Art, has agreed to head up the Ellis Ruley Arts Festival Committee. Lottie and Shiela will set up a meeting with Sandra to discuss the festival plans. It was suggested to look into various venues to host the festival such as TRCC and NFA Slater Museum.

Frank Manfredi will contact the Norwich Police Department for an update of the Ellis Ruley and Douglas Harris cases that were opened one year ago as a result of Dr. Baden report.

Frank Manfredi will contact the Mayor's Office to get a date to present an update to the City Council.

Motion to adjourn was made by Lottie B. Scott and seconded by Shiela Hayes at 11:02am. Motion carried.

Respectively Yours,

Shiela Hayes,  
Secretary