

# MINUTES OF ORGANIZATIONAL WORKSHOP

SHAKESPEARE SUBCOMMITTEE

MAY 31, 2016

THE SHAKESPEARE SUBCOMMITTEE OF THE BUILDING NEEDS COMMITTEE CONDUCTED AN ORGANIZATIONAL WORKSHOP MEETING ON TUESDAY, MAY 31, 2016 IN ROOM 213 OF STRATFORD TOWN HALL, 2725 MAIN STREET, STRATFORD, CT PURSUANT TO NOTICE DULY POSTED.

I. CALL TO ORDER: 7:05 p.m.

PRESIDING: Chairman Beth Daponte

SUBCOMMITTEE MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Council Members Alan Llewelyn, Philip Young, Beth Daponte; Electorate Members: Ken Tigar, Matt Catalano, Ted VanGriethuysen, Peter Wood, Edward Goodrich, Tom Yemm, Jancee Pust-Marcone, State Rep. Joe Gresko

II. SUBCOMMITTEE GOALS — Subcommittee members introduced themselves stating their interests and expertise, past experiences and efforts to revitalize the theater, past history of the theater and theater grounds.

III. SKILL SETS OF MEMBERS — additional theater history information was offered re: project sent for an RFP twice, legacy of the Stratford Shakespeare Festival Theater. Discussion took place re: Publicity needs, importance of interest of Stratford Citizens/Residents in the project, partnerships with businesses and organizations, plans of Ridgefield and/or Fairfield Theater groups.

IV. TIMETABLE — Ms. Daponte said that, per direction of the Building Needs Committee, a final proposal/plan will be submitted to Stratford Town Council by October. The Shakespeare subcommittee will conduct meetings the 2<sup>nd</sup> and the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of every month at 7:00 p.m. with off-line conversations if needed.

Subcommittee meetings for June 2016: Thursday June 9 and Thursday June 23

Subcommittee meeting for July 2016: Thursday July 14 and Thursday July 28

A tour of the Shakespeare Theater building is tentatively scheduled for Thursday, June 16 at 5:00 p.m.

Additional discussion went on re: Arts Consulting Groups, an Arts consultant coordinator, research of past materials, future of the building, creating a vision, applying for grants.

V. ADJOURNMENT —Hearing no additional business, Ms. Daponte adjourned the meeting at 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted  
Carol Cabral, Secretary