



Northborough Cultural Council

63 Main Street / Town Hall
Northborough, MA 01532

Northborough Cultural Council Meeting Minutes - APPROVED

Meeting Date: Thursday, August 24, 2023 - Time: 6:00pm to 8:00pm

Place: Northborough Town Hall Conference Room B

In Attendance: Terry Underwood, Suzanne Cox, Lori Tiron-Pandit, Hannah Chen

Absent: Craig Cox, Jen Tolman, Jeanine Vitale

Guest: Bob Reed (partial)

MINUTES:

Meeting called to order 6:06pm.

1. Approval of minutes

- Suzanne motioned to approve minutes of 07.26.2023. Motion seconded by Lori. Approval all.

2. Set next committee meeting date

- Meet meeting set for Tuesday, September 5, 2023.

3. Treasurers Report

- No treasure's update at this time. No know issues at this time.
- Terry updated that Art is planning to join council and she and Art are working with town administration to process paperwork.

4. 2023-2024 Grant Cycle

- Reviewed the MCC checklist for 2024 granting year.
- Reviewed the two granting options MCC offers, prepaid or reimbursement methods, and which we must log our choice before August 31, 2023.
- Motion by Suzanne to continue to use MCC Reimbursement model for 2024 (2023-2024) grant cycle and not register NCC as a prepay LCC. Terry seconded motion. Approval all.
- Guest visit by Bob Reed during discussion on MCC granting guidelines. Terry introduced Bob to council members and shared NCC's current discussions on the granting cycle. Terry also discussed the CultureFest we held in June as well as the Public Art campaign and mural on the town common. Bob discussed Boston's priorities from his past experiences and we discussed our past methods and what we value as a local cultural council. Bob left meeting at this point.

a. Review community outreach

- Reviewed the community engagement survey we ran during CultureFest and on Facebook during June and July 2023. Terry also mentioned engagement happened during 2022 Applefest street fair.

b. Approve priorities

- Review each proposed priorities and reworded to reflect discussion and consensus reached. Final version written and to be posted.
- Motion by Suzanne to approve 2024 NCC Grant Priorities as amended by Lori during meeting. Seconded by Hannah. Approval all.

5. 2023 Applefest Plans

- Discussion street fair activities with more to follow at next meeting.

6. Other business before committee

- No new business at this time.

Motion by Suzanne to adjourn meeting. Motion seconded by Hannah. Approval all. Meeting ended at 7:58pm.