Newbury Cultural Council Meeting Minutes September 20, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. ET

Town Hall - 12 Kent Way, Newbury (Byfield), MA - 2nd Floor Hearing Room

Council Member Attendees:

Amy Thurlow, Treasurer
Michelle Ouellette, Secretary
Bart Bracken
Jeanne Anderson
Lloyd Hamovit
Margaret Russell

Not in attendance: Marguerite "Minnie" Flanagan, Robin Lawson, Ex-Officio

Call to order - Michelle Ouellette

Approval of 8-4-2021 meeting minutes

Voted to approve.

Vote on modification request from Delvenna to move from their granted performance to Lizzy Borden (as requested by Cindy at the Senior Center for Halloween theme)

Voted to approve.

Vote on modification request from Newburyport Documentary Film Festival to operate in its second pandemic year and deliver a full hybrid festival

Voted to approve.

Announcements for FY2022 MCC Grant -

- Notices were in the Newburyport Daily News, Newbury Town Website, NCC Facebook page
- NCC FY2022 Granted \$5,300 (hold aside 20% for Newbury Town Day)

Council responsibility sharing, Update on Chair and Liaison responsibility clarification:

- Discussion, and voted on motion to approve the following:
 - Bart and Amy as Co-Treasurer
 - Michelle and Jeanne Co-Secretary
 - Michelle & Amy Co-Chair
- Moving forward, decided that quarterly meetings would be best
- No need for grantee liaison

Direct Grants vs Reimbursements for next year

- Michelle suggested each member read the info on the different options on MCC website
- Will revisit topic in March

Update on our page on MCC website

Amy updated

Set grant voting date

November 1st at 6pm

Discussion of adding clarification to grant approval letters for next year

- Most grantees forget to include their W-9. We discussed including a checklist in their award letter of what is required for reimbursement.
 - -Evidence of the program and/or receipts
 - -Reimbursement form
 - -W-9

Additional business as needed

Update on Newbury Town Day from town-wide planning session Saturday, Sept. 11, 2021

- Ad hoc planning committee working on budgets and fundraising (including grants)
- Meeting was sparsely attended (9 people including Alicia Greco)
- Budgeting for shuttle buses/porta-potty/food/food trucks
- Having family and children-oriented events
- Community service for local schools possible volunteer opportunities as a resource
- Currently approx. a dozen events: History of aviation on Plum Island; Build your own Craft event; History of NE opening a three homes; Vintage Baseball on Sat; plein-air artists in conjunction with local natural historians to exhibit at the library; schoolhouse open; treasure hunt; sporting events; Artist in the open

Salisbury Cultural Council Regional brainstorming meeting – Sept 28th

• Amy, Michelle, and Robin plan on attending

Adjourn – 6:45 pm ET

Next Meeting -November 1st at 6:00pm ET - 12 Kent Way, second floor meeting room