

# Milford Cultural Council

Meeting Minutes for October 15, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.  
Room 2, Milford Town Hall

## A. Welcome and Call to Order

- a. In attendance: Geri Eddins, Vinnie Keizjo, Jenny Lyons, Michael Visconti, Jim Buckley, Marcia Macre, Christine Daddario
  - b. Absent: Molly Auger, Michael Lalime, Patti Salomon, Chris Vendetti, Meaghan Oliveira, Bryan Cole (participated on speaker phone), Nicole Romiglio
- Quorum was not present.**

## B. Invitation to Speak: None

## C. Review and Approve Minutes: Tabled until next meeting

## D. Announcements: None

## E. Financial Report

- MA CC Allocation for 2020: \$14,900.
- Balance as of October 15, 2019: TBD Deficit of \$2,589.80
- Expenses to be Reimbursed? None
- Amount to Set Aside for Admin Funds in 2020 (up to 5% of allocation): Vote
  - Geri needed to hand in the annual report so we needed to make a decision
  - Geri and Bryan proposed using \$250, which is less than the 5%
  - Vinny made a motion to use \$312.57 which would leave us with an even 12k for granting
  - Jim seconded the motion and the vote was passed, Mike abstained
  - No quorum for this meeting (Bryan Cole was voting on speakerphone)
  - We will revisit this at the next meeting to validate the decision
- Treasurer Position: Nominate and Vote (Tabled til November)

## F. Grant Applications: Accepting Now Through October 15. Number received to date.

- We have 28 grant applications so far as well as 3 drafts, requesting 24k in total, drafts must be finished by midnight
- Review the grant application, discuss process for reviewing content for completion and ideas for approving and eliminating applications.
  - Reviewed grant approval criteria- See document, "MCC Grant Approval Criteria 2019"
  - We spoke about thoughts on how to narrow down our decisions
  - Geri passed out 3-4 grant applications per each council member to review for completeness
  - All members were asked to review grants by Monday October 21<sup>st</sup> and let Geri know what info was missing
  - Geri informed members she would have all the grants to review and be passed out in a week
  - Next meeting, November 19<sup>th</sup>, we will be reviewing and making decisions.

### **G. Public Art Subcommittee:**

- Review suggested changes to proposal to BOS: Geri and Mike  
(Add language indicating that all Taskforce members must be registered voters in Milford and specify 3 Art teachers thereby setting the Taskforce membership to 11. Also there could be some confusion if one of the Artists is also an Art teacher)
  - All members agreed with changes
  - We decided instead of 1 art teacher and 3 local artists, we could just have 3 art professionals

### **H. Independence Day Music Subcommittee:** Plan meeting date

Spoke about when the Independence Day Music subcommittee will meet, decided to come up with a date via email

### **I. Identity, Communications, and Outreach**

Flyers and Press Release Update: Commended Molly on her job with the press release

Bylaws: Bylaws/Rules and Regulations are on hold- Bryan is working on it

### **J. Any Other Business.**

- Mike consulted with town council on what constitutes a term. He inquired if filling in for the end of someone else's term would count as a full term for the new member
- Charles Boddy (town lawyer) states that it does not constitute as a term
- Lisa Simmons (MCC) disagrees and says that it would count as a full term
- Decided to table and address this in our Rules & Regs

**Next Meeting November 19.**

Respectfully submitted,  
Christine Daddario