

Ludlow Cultural Council
Meeting Minutes
Monday October 28, 2024
Town Hall 3rd Floor Conf Room

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Meeting called to order at 7:03PM by Michelle Goncalves

Members present: Michelle Goncalves, Janet Settembro, Bob Roccanti, Larry Goodreau, Peggy Bernard, Nira Flatley, Pam Hayes.

Members absent: Sharon Clark, Bob Radowski, Grace Barone.

Approval of minutes from 9/23/2024- Motion made by Peggy, second by Janet.
All were in favor.

Treasurers report: Janet will submit financial form to MA Cultural Council.
Currently balance \$2934.70.
Awaiting \$2500.00 -MA Cultural Council Festivals Grant
Amount spent \$18.179.00
Our expenses- \$421.00
Unused grant money -\$600.00 from Ludlow Senior Center

Purchases- 0

Correspondence:

Notice that on Saturday December 7th the Mass Brass Band will play at the First Church in Ludlow. Sponsored by LCC.

Melissa Rickson from the Hubbard Memorial Library is asking for an extension on the grant for the Kick off to Summer Concert. A motion to approve the extension of the grant until the end of 2025 was made by Pam, second by Larry.
All were in favor.

Recent events; 0

Final Reports Received:

Peter Ouimette- Polish crafts
Rich Plasse- Name TV Show
Toe Jam Grumpytime Band
Andrew Lawson- Bad Signs

HML- Retro Gaming
Ed the Wizard
Brian Bylicki- 250th Commemorative Book

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Final Reports still outstanding:

Cynthia Barrett- Sister Detectives
Maria Ardolino - Senior Center- Stories from the Studebaker , Cheryl Faye
Rene Stewart- Extreme Kids
Vic Thomas- Blues Brothers
Ted Wurt- Oakland Stroke
Harris Brook - drums

New Business:

2025 Grant Cycle- Michelle sent an email to all grant applicants reiterating that a letter from any potential event host is required as a condition of being awarded a grant. Also any grant applicant that has submitted multiple applications should prioritize their applications.

The applications are available on the MA Cultural Council website under the Grant Book.

Michelle reminded everyone to explore the grant applications for potential personal conflicts of interest and submit notice to the Board of Selectmen if any are found.

New members are needed on the Council . If a potential new member is identified we can give them an actual invitation to join us.

Old Business:

Bob Roccanti will again recruit sponsors for the 2025 concert series. Pam will send thank you notes to last years sponsors.

We will again be securing food trucks for the concert series. We will not be pursuing a collaboration with Vanished Valley to offer beer and wine at the concerts.

We will also consider the possibility of having winter concerts at the First Church.

Officer job descriptions were discussed as well as the possibility of sub-committees. We will discuss further at the election meeting in January.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made at 8:32 by Peggy, second by Bob.

Respectfully submitted,
Pam Hayes

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