

Winchendon Cultural Council

Official Meeting Minutes

Date: Wednesday, February 3, 2021

Time: 5:00PM

Location: Zoom Public Meeting Link

Approved on 4/2/2021

WINCHENDON TOWN CLERK
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Attendees: Jill Sacket (Chair), Andrew Arceci, Miranda Jennings (Secretary), Nicole Elias, Linsey Laserte

Meeting Called to order on February 3, 2021 at 5:05 PM

Remote Access Participation Disclosure

Public Comments: There were no public comments to review

Introduction of Members

Member Comments: No member comments were made

Old Business

- Meeting minutes from February 3, 2021 meeting reviewed and approved.
- Meeting minutes from the September 3, 2020 meeting reviewed and approved.

Member Updates

- **Greg Vine:** As an elected official, Greg is ineligible for service on the Cultural Council and had to step down.
- **Linsey Laserte: Welcome as a new member!**
- Members will recruit new members, especially youth/student members.
- Treasurer Role was reviewed and the office will be voted on at the next meeting.

New Business

Vote on 2021 Grant Monies: Members of the council voted unanimously to approve the 2021 applications. Jill recused herself for the votes on the Winchendon Winds and Pipe Organ Concert. Andrew recused himself from the vote on the Winchendon Music Festival.

The following applications were approved:

Applicant	Program	Amt Requested \$	Total Proj \$	Final: Awards
Aldrich Astronomical Society	Tails and Tales: Lore of the Night Sky	\$250	\$ 250	\$250
Discovery Museum	Open Door Connections	\$300	\$ 1,085	\$0
DR. "THE MACHINE" JESSE G	CHAINSAWS, CHEESEBURGERS AND ROCK N ROLL LIVE	\$500	\$ 500	\$500
Fitchburg Art Museum	85th Regional Exhibition of Art and Craft	\$100	\$ 19,605	\$100
Gardner Area League of Artists	Light Fixtures for GALA's Artists	\$300	\$ 1,276	\$600
Gardner Area League of Artists	GALA Annual Spring Art Show 2021	\$300	\$ 5,700	\$0
Kirk Whipple,	Duo Pianists, Composers and	\$750	\$ 2,500	\$0

	Educators			
Manuel King	Movies on the Library Lawn	\$400	\$ 1,200	\$1,200
MUSIC Dance.edu	Hip Hop Dance Chair Exercise for Seniors	\$280	\$ 380	\$350
Stephen Lewis,	May Day - an International Poster Exhibit	\$140	\$ 182	\$140
Steven Hurlbut,	Jumpin' Juba Concert at Beals Library	\$350	\$ 350	\$350
Unitarian Universalist Church of Winchendon	Pipe Organ Concert	\$380	\$ 730	\$730
Winchendon Music Festival	WMF, Inc.	\$1,065	\$ 3,500	\$2,020
Winchendon Winds, Inc.	2021 Expanded Concert Series	\$1,500	\$ 1,845	\$1,845
Administrative Budget (up to 5%)		\$0		\$504.39
WCC Funded Project (up to 15%)		\$0		\$1,515.00
		\$6,615		\$10,104.39
Available Funds		\$10,104.39		

The following applications were not approved:

- **Discovery Museum, Open Door Connections:** Event/Program does not directly benefit the community and is only open for members.
- **Gala Spring Art Show:** Event not in Winchendon and \$300 from last year's award is still encumbered. Additional funding to that which was requested for the lighting project was awarded as this will benefit a local venue.
- **Duo Pianist , Kirk Whipple:** Funds for musical event preference to be live or to support local Winchendon musicians.

Council Funded Project Options: The Council agreed unanimously to allocate 15% of funding for Council Funded Projects and 5% for administrative budget. We will be meeting in April to discuss potential projects to consider.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:07pm