

WINCHENDON CULTURAL COUNCIL

Official Meeting Minutes

Approved on: 12/20/2023

Date: November 15, 2023

Time: 5:00

Location: Winchendon Town Hall, In Person

Attendees: Present: IN PERSON: Jill Sackett (Chair), Joanna Draugsvold (Treasurer), Quinne Richards, Linda Dellasanta, Miranda Jennings (Secretary), Greg Vine, Molly Velasco, Alexis Chanthachack

Absent: Linda Hofhaug, Linsey Laserte, Coral Grout

Meeting Called to order at 5:05 PM

Public Comments: There were no public comments to review.

Member Comments: No member comments were made.

1. Welcome Alexis!
2. Linsey Laserte will be stepping down from the Cultural Council.
3. Jill and Miranda must leave the committee in June, 2024. We will need people to assume the Chair and Secretary positions. Please let Jill know ASAP so you can begin shadowing the roles.

Old Business:

- Approval of Meeting Minutes from September 20, 2023: Motion to approve by Jill, seconded by Greg. Unanimously approved.
- Approval of Meeting Minutes from October 18, 2023: Motion to approve by Jill, seconded by Alexis. Unanimously approved.

New Business:

- Review of Conflict of Interest
- Review of CC Priorities:
 - Secured Venue
 - Serve youth or elderly
 - Align with Winchendon's MP
 - Applications from LGBTQI+ and BIPOC individuals and communities
 - Community Support involvement
 - Track record and dedication of applicant
 - Demonstrated planning
 - Ability to address needs/serve underserved populations
 - Live events within Winchendon
 - Generally no capital expenditure request
 - Innovation and Creativity
 - Historic Buildings and Churches

- Review of Conditional Approval: we may place conditions on approved applications. We can approve part or more of what is being requested.
- Review and selection of 2023/2024 Cultural Council Grants: Greg motioned, Molly seconded to approve the selected proposals.

Next Meeting- Wednesday, Dec 20th @ 5pm in person at Town Hall. Review survey results and have party.

Adjournment: Miranda makes a motion to adjourn, Jill seconds the motion. Meeting adjourned at 8:15pm