Great Barrington Cultural Council Meeting Tuesday, November 17 at 11:30am Zoom Video Conference **FINAL**

In attendance: Ellen Shanahan, Haley Barbieri, Tate Coleman, Patrick Barret

Absent: Natasha Perlis, Amy Taylor

Guests: Milena Cerna, Stacia Ostrow

I. Meeting called to order

Meeting called to order at 11:32 am

II. Approve minutes

Tate moved to approve minutes, Ellen seconded.

III. Old business

Tate met with Sue to approve finances

Survey results were reviewed and we will look at them when planning 2022

IV. New business

Tate met with Sue recently and got about 15 grants processed from the previous year.

Open meeting law and new login were sent out recently. Ellen will make sure everyone received this.

The grant cycle has been extended into the middle of December.

Ellen and Patrick will co-chair the council for now. Haley will remain secretary and Tate will informally assist with treasurer duties for a few months.

At the start of 2021/in the spring, we may use some of our administrative funds to look for new members. Ellen and Tate will not be returning next year. WSBS would likely do a public service ad for us.

Our next meeting will be on December 15 at 6:30pm to begin reviewing grants and set criteria.

V. Citizen Speak

Milena introduced herself to the group as being interested in joining, moved here two years ago has been here over forty years, recently retired.

Stacia moved to Housatonic 3 years ago, been visiting 25-30 years -- oversees philanthropy, scholarships, etc for where she works.

Ellen said there is a third person potentially interested in joining the council.

Tate moved to recommend Milena and Stacy to the select board for appointment to this council. Ellen seconded. We will email Amy and cc the selectboard with this information.

January 5 & 19 as dates to review grants after our December meeting.

VI. Meeting Adjourned

Ellen moved to adjourn the meeting, Tate seconded. All in favor, the meeting adjourned 12:16pm.

Next meeting is scheduled for December 15 at 6:30pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Haley Barbieri Recording Secretary