

GREAT BARRINGTON CULTURAL COUNCIL

DATE: Monday, November 20, 2023

TIME: 6:00 P.M.

PLACE: Zoom Virtual Meeting

MEMBERS PRESENT: Sherry Steiner, Patrick Barrett, Ellen Shanahan, Allison Zivin, Leora Kahn (part of the meeting)

MEMBERS NOT PRESENT: Elissa Haskins-Vaughan

1. Call to order - Sherry called the meeting to order at 6:05pm with a roll call vote: Patrick Barrett aye, Ellen Shanahan aye, Sherry Steiner aye, Allison Zivin aye. All in favor 4-0.

2. Approve minutes from meetings on the following dates (discussion/vote):

March 2, 2023

April 3, 2023

May 11, 2023

July 20, 2023

September 18, 2023

October 26, 2023

Patrick Barrett aye, Ellen Shanahan aye, Sherry Steiner aye, Allison Zivin aye. All in favor 4-0.

3. Old Business: Patrick mentioned all 2023 grantees have submitted paperwork and it has been processed; three applicants didn't take grants this year because of changes in event scope that the Council declined to fund or lost venues; as a result, the Council has about \$7,000 in funds of which \$200 will be held back to cover administration fees.

4. New Business:

a. There are potentially a few new people interested in joining the Council.

b. The committee started discussing the process by which we'll determine next year's grantees and discussed many of the applications but did not vote on any of them.

5. Citizen's Speak: No attendees.

6. Set next meeting date – Next meeting scheduled for November 27 at 6:00 pm.

7. Adjourn - Ellen made a motion to adjourn; Patrick seconded. Roll call vote: Patrick aye, Ellen aye, Sherry aye, Allison aye, Leora aye. All in favor: 5-0. Meeting was adjourned by unanimous consent at 7:32pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Allison Zivin, Recording Secretary