

GREAT BARRINGTON CULTURAL COUNCIL

DATE: Monday, November 27, 2023

TIME: 6:00 P.M.

PLACE: Zoom Virtual Meeting

MEMBERS PRESENT: Leora Kahn, Elissa Haskins-Vaughan, Ellen Shanahan, Sherry Steiner, Allison Zivin

MEMBERS NOT PRESENT: Patrick Barrett

1. Call to order - Sherry called the meeting to order at 6:06pm with a roll call vote: Leora Kahn aye, Ellen Shanahan aye, Elissa Haskins-Vaughtan aye, Sherry Steiner aye, Allison Zivin aye. All in favor 5-0.

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

November 20, 2023

Elissa Haskins-Vaughan aye, Ellen Shanahan aye, Sherry Steiner aye, Leora Kahn aye, Allison Zivin aye. All in favor 5-0.

3. Old Business: None

4. New Business:

a. Leora has four community members potentially interested in joining the Council. We discussed the process by which this happens and decided that they should all sit in on a meeting in January so that the rest of the Council members can meet them. After that, the Council votes to recommend them.

b. We discussed the pros and cons of hosting a reception for the grantees. It may be difficult to pull off a showcase event but perhaps we could have a cocktail reception to meet them.

c. The committee continued reviewing applications for grants for next year but did not vote on any of them.

5. Citizen's Speak: No attendees.

6. Set next meeting date – Next meeting scheduled for December 4 at 6:00 pm. The following meeting will be on December 21 at 5:00 pm.

7. Adjourn - Ellen made a motion to adjourn; Elissa seconded. Roll call vote: Elissa aye, Ellen aye, Sherry aye, Allison aye, Leora aye. All in favor: 5-0. Meeting was adjourned by unanimous consent at 7:11pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Allison Zivin, Recording Secretary