

Great Barrington Cultural Council Meeting
Tuesday, June 2 at 6:30pm
Zoom Video Conference

FINAL

In attendance: Ellen Shanahan, Rees Shad, Amy Taylor, Tate Coleman, Haley Barbieri
Absent: Natasha Perlis, Nan Coleman, Patrick Barrett

I. Meeting called to order

6:41pm

II. Approve minutes

Rees made a motion to approve the minutes, Amy seconded. All in favor, minutes approved.

III. Old Business

Hosting event for grantees: Between now and our next meeting, we will individually brainstorm digital ideas to promote our grantees over the summer and fall as our community event.

Survey boxes: Boxes went to Town Hall and the Guthrie Center back in February/early March. The Guthrie Center box was filled and replaced with an empty box — Rees has the filled box. The Town Hall box and current Guthrie Center boxes are still in their locations and have not been checked since March due to COVID.

IV. New business

Ellen told the group that the MCC is recommending cultural councils give funds to their recipients and giving them the options to use it for an event at a later date, a digital rendition of their planned event, or for living expenses. However, the town will need to approve the change in use of funds in this way. Rees moved to support giving the artists the money for living expenses if they desire. Amy seconded. All in favor, motion approved. Ellen will let recipients know that we are thinking of this while and has contacted Mark Pruhenski to figure out the process with the town.

Ellen announced she will be stepping down as chair for 2020/2021 but will remain on the council. After 2020/2021 her term will be up.

V. Citizen's speak

None.

VI. Meeting adjourned

Tate moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Rees. Meeting adjourned at 7:01pm.

Next meeting will be July 7 at 6:30pm via Zoom.

Respectfully submitted,

Haley Barbieri

Recording Secretary