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TOWN OF GREAT BARRINGTON  
MASSACHUSETTS

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CULTURAL COUNCIL

**MINUTES**

Monday, August 18th, 2018

5:30PM

Mason Library

231 Main Street

Great Barrington, MA 01230

- 5:38pm: Call to Order
  - Present: Michael Andelman, Catherine Hancock, Ellen Shanahan
- Michael motioned for the minutes from 7/18 GBCC meeting to be approved. Since only 3 members were present, we were unable to vote. Minute approval will have to be postponed until next meeting.
- Michael discussed possibility of disbanding due to shortage of members. Ellen determined that she can renew her term, meaning the Cultural Council will have the minimum number of members necessary to be able to vote. Disbanding is not necessary.
- Discussion of recruiting new members:
  - Michael cited that the Cultural Council has had no interest from Great Barrington residents after advertising, appearing at the town meeting, and the cultural district meeting.
  - Cultural Council will appeal to town for more assistance in finding new members.
  - Members of Cultural Council should engage more in actively trying to recruit members.
- Discussion of new scheduling system to ensure all members can be present at meeting.
  - Catherine suggested scheduling next meeting over email or doodle
  - Ideally we will meet at the same time on the same day monthly
- Need to send notification of grant deadline and publicize on town website
  - Grant applications due on October 15th, 2018 and application available September 1st , 2018.
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  - Proposed projects should benefit Great Barrington.
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  - All Massachusetts residents can apply.

- Ellen will contact Town regarding having this information readily available on the Town Website and in the Town News section, in addition to putting the GBCC mission on the GBCC page.
- Discussion of GBCC events
  - Catherine voiced concern about timing of a September event- Michael and Ellen agreed.
  - Next year we will plan a September event to promote the grant deadline and our presence in the community.
  - We will explore the possibility of a winter event to recruit new members.
  - In order to successfully organize GBCC events, it will be necessary to have the whole council involved in planning, and ideally we would need more members.
- Meeting adjourned at 6:04pm

After email discussion the next meeting will be held on 9/26 at the Mason Library at 6pm

Signed: Catherine Hancock 9/4/2018