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TOWN OF GREAT BARRINGTON
MASSACHUSETTS

CULTURAL COUNCIL

MINUTES

Wednesday, July 18th, 2018

5:30PM

Mason Library

2311 Main Street

Great Barrington, MA 01230

- 5:30pm: Call to Order
 - Permission for Ed Abrahams, Selectboard, and Betsy Andrus, SBCC to attend as representatives of the Great Barrington Cultural District to attend granted by Michael Andelman.
 - Present: Lauren Clarke, Susan Pettee, Michael Andelman, Catherine Hancock, Ed Abrahams, and Betsy Andrus in attendance.
- Michael motioned for the minutes from 5/23 GBCC meeting to be approved. Lauren seconded. All in favor. Minutes approved.
- Michael moved for the approval of Catherine Hancock as GBCC Secretary. Susan seconded. All in favor. Catherine approved as GBCC Secretary.
- Review of Grant Application Process.
 - Form online and can be found through MCC. Discussion of linking the MCC site to GBCC's site on the town website.
 - Grant applications due on October 15th, 2018 and application available September 1st, 2018.
 - Proposed projects should benefit Great Barrington.
 - Council favors projects that are free to attend.
 - All Massachusetts residents can apply.
 - Catherine 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 New Members
 - Reach out to organizations that we have awarded grants to, encourage any residents of GB who have received support to engage with GBCC.
 - When awarding grants, add a line in the award letters to ask for participation in GBCC.

- Recruiting new members on GB Community Board on Facebook. Catherine and Ed will work together to promote this.
- Discussion of Current Members
 - Current member number is 6, meaning we have a quorum meaning that we are able to vote. For future reference, the GBCC can have a maximum member number of 12 and minimum member number of 4.
- Review of Downtown Great Barrington Cultural District meeting with MCC and GBCC's responsibilities.
 - Michael moved that Catherine will serve and GBCC's representative at these meetings. Lauren seconded. All in Favor. Catherine Approved.
- Discussion of possible GBCC event on September 21st to raise funds for Council and promote our Grant Deadline.
 - Could be held at Lauren's Art Gallery.
 - Catherine could provide musical entertainment
 - Promotion on Facebook and Flyers around town.
 - Catherine, Lauren and Michael will meet to discuss planning logistics.
- Budget discussion
 - Audit on our account needs to happen.
- Citizens Speak:
 - Betsy suggests some kind of reoccurring event to create steady income for GBCC. For example, outdoor movies.
 - GBCC may not have the capacity for regular events but will explore ways to create a steady income.
- Next meeting to be held August 20th, 2018 at 5:30 at the Mason Library. Susan will reserve the room.
- Michael Moves to adjourn meeting at 6:05pm. Lauren Seconds.
- Meeting Adjourned.

Signature: Catherine Hancock 7/23/2018