



Cultural Council Members 2022-2023

Ellen Baranowski - member
Karen Broscoe - Secretary
John Broscoe - Member
Gratia Gosselin - Member
Jennifer Loiselle - Chair
Catherine Zumbruski - Member

Methuen Cultural Council Grant Awards Meeting
Monday June 26, 2023 @ 6:30pm
Nevins Memorial Library, Trustees Room

Members present: Ellen Baranowski, John Broscoe, Karen Broscoe, Jennifer Loiselle, Catherine Zumbruski

Absent Members: Gratia Gosselin

Meeting Minutes

Minutes from the May 22, 2023 Meeting were read. Karen motioned to approve, Cathay seconded, Minutes were approved.

Financial Report

Jennifer reported that some grants have not yet been reimbursed since the last financial report. There are currently 7 awarded grants from 2022 that have not yet submitted any paperwork. Jennifer will follow up with grantees to inform them that August 2023 will be the last month for 2022 grantee awards to submit for payment.

Balance as of Ending Date 5/16/23 is \$ 109,030.80.

Council Sponsored Programming - \$7,400 - Allocated for Outdoor Music Festival

Council Administrative Costs - \$1886 - Allocated for zoom, PO Box, marketing, website

Briefly discussed marketing strategies for 2024 grant season.

Member Roles

Welcomed new members Ellen Baranowski and Catherine Zembruski to the board.

Member roles/positions discussion to be continued - will set a date to vote on roles.

Council Business

Discussions continued re Music Festival. Currently we have 10 applicants interested in performing. The council will be meeting with city officials to discuss hosting music festival in conjunction with summer night series and financing.

Contract to be drafted between council and musicians for performance. Ellen Baranowski to work on drafting contracts.

Discussions continued on how to advertise the next grant season. Ellen and Cathy will contact methuen school officials to spread the word. Jennifer will contact MCTV to discuss Informational TV program surrounding the council and grant application procedure.

Public Comments

There were no public comments.

Next Meeting

Monday July 17, 2023 at 6:30pm

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 7:34pm. Jennifer motioned and Karen seconded.