



TOWN OF MEDWAY

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

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Medway Cultural Council

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MINUTES

Tuesday March 7 @ 7:00 pm.

Members Present: Becky Atwood, Crystal Buckley, Angelica Crosby, Cindy Ellis, Phil Giangarra, Gail Hachenburg, Judith Moffatt, Amna Saeed-Kothe, Hazel Warnick, Jordan Warnick, Karyl Wong

Attended via Zoom: Stuthi Balaji, Jyoti Ranjan Valerie Shinas

Recording Secretary: Marianne Boynton

Mrs. Hachenburg called the Meeting to order at 7:04 pm. The meeting was in-person with 3 members attending via Zoom.

I. **Approval of minutes from March 7, 2023:**

Ms. Buckley made a motion to approve the meeting minutes from 3/7/23, Ms. Crosby seconded the motion. Approved in a unanimous vote.

II. **Officer's Reports –**

A. Treasurer's Report - Hazel Warnick – The council has funds to use in the next 3 months (by June 30), she proposed giving the artists for the electrical boxes part of their stipend up front and the rest when they are done. Some boxes may be completed in these 3 months. Ms. Warnick said state funds are still 'on their way' from state to town, the delay was due to a hard copy not being sent as a backup to the emailed contract. Since the funds still aren't there, the town representative said she could pay from town (funds) and then take money back once funding comes from Mass Cultural Council.

B. Co-Chair's Reports- Gail Hachenburg, Jordan Warnick - a) Officers and Duties b) Re-appointments

1. Officers and Duties – It has come to Mr. Warnick's attention that the length of some appointments were incorrect. Ms. Hachenburg's 2nd term expires in June ('23), Hazel and Jordan Warnick's end one year prematurely and will have a year added on (extended to 6/30/25) and Ms. Wong's 2nd term ends in June '23.

- Someone might have to work with Ms. Wong to learn the process for the LCC Grants if she could not continue or if as a volunteer, she could not be making decisions.
- Ms. Moffatt will be reappointed for another 3 yr term.
- Mr. Balaji will be extended by 2 years.

Ms. Warnick confirmed that terms should be 3 years. Members must be off for at least 1 year to be eligible for reappointment. They may serve as volunteers in the interim.

2. Sculptures on the Trails/Choate Park - Mr. Warnick mentioned that they are looking into sculpture on the trail. They discussed the suggestion of turtles on the log and that they will talk to Erin and look into what it might cost to make turtles and log out of bronze. Ms. Atwood attended the Open Space meeting to propose the sculpture and they were amendable to putting a sculpture on a trail, maybe a meadow or boardwalk. They suggested that the animals be large enough for kids to play on. Ms. Hachenburg will ask Erin about using stone or to suggest artists who can sculpt with stone.
3. Upright banner – Jordan reported that MCC had previously voted on the banner and approved it. But after the last meeting when some questioned how it should read, i.e., 'We Support the Arts or Arts & Sciences and/or add Humanities' too. Ms. Saeed-Kothe she thought that 'Arts & Sciences' is best. Mr. Warnick made a motion to revise the banner to read 'We support Arts & Sciences', Ms. Hachenburg seconded the motion. Approved in a unanimous vote.
4. Currents Projects - Mr. Warnick listed projects that members are currently working on:
 - Artist Spotlight – Valerie Shinas
 - Canman pictures at library - ?
 - Choate Park Trail Sculpture – Jordan Warnick & Becky
 - Grant Liaison – Karyl Wong
 - Paint Night Angelica Crosby & Crystal Buckley
 - Sculpture at the Library – Gail Hachenburg with Erin Atwood
 - Social Media – Crystal Buckley, Angelica Crosby, Valerie Shinas
 - Surveys – Cyndy Ellis
 - Upright Banner – Jordan Warnick
 - Utility Boxes – Crystal Buckley

Artist Spotlight - Ms. Shinas asked someone to take over Artists Spotlight

Canman pictures at library – Gail to inquire as to ownership

Paint Night - will be managed by both Ms. Buckley & Ms. Crosby

Surveys - Ms. Ellis to continue with Survey

Sculpture - Ms. Hachenburg is still working on sculpture. Gail spoke with Erin, who has started on the prototype, female model is hired. They will review with Ms. Perkins at the Library and then meet with Library Trustees, and then next step is to go to the Select Board. Ms. Atwood will be liaison when Ms. Hachenburg's term is up.

Poster - Mr. Warnick presented a prototype of a poster, with a space for a sponsor, to raise funds. Mr. Giangarra suggested a calendar or maybe postcards. MCC liked the

idea. Ms. Wong suggested that people could use for Art, maybe not include a sponsor. Ms. Atwood suggests that if using art from electrical boxes, we mention to the artists. Judy Moffatt will work with Jordan on this project.

Utility Boxes Update - Crystal Buckley reviewed the designs with the Design Review Committee to get final approval for box project; it's all approved and ready to go. DPW starting to prime the boxes the 3rd week of April. The first two are at the Sr. Center and Restaurant 45. She is also working on a contract for the artists to sign. She needs to know the paperwork that artists will need to present for payment. Ms. Warnick made a motion to give the electrical box artists half of their stipend after they sign the contract and the other half when painting is finished to our satisfaction. Ms. Hachenburg seconded the motion, and it was approved in a unanimous vote.

- b) Membership Recruitment- Gail Hachenburg, Jordan Warnick - If anyone know someone who might be interested in joining the MCC, please let them know. Need to verify whether they need to be Medway residents. Want to make sure that the spots are filled as next group of terms end. Asked current members to think about being a co-chair.
- c) In person meeting will continue, but MA Governor signed extension to permit Zoom meetings but no longer need a Zoom request form. Members must let Ms. Hachenburg know in advance if someone wants to come via Zoom.
- d) Paint Night Update - Angelica Crosby informed the council that the event will not be put on by the council but will be put on by Ms. Crosby and Ms. Buckley and they will give proceeds to the MCC. The event will be in support of MCC. Paint night is a Mother's Day theme, participants will submit a family photo that will be uploaded, making coloring sheets for kids and line drawings that moms can paint. The cost is \$50. Ms. Saeed-Kothe suggested adding more wording to the Facebook ad to clarify what it is, describing more in the post. Set up a Zoom account for event. The don't have anyone signed up yet, hoping to get some soon. Ms. Hachenburg suggested putting up a poster/ad in the Library.

Other Business - none

Adjourn - Mr. Giangarra made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:56 and Ms. Hachenburg seconded the motion to adjourn and approved by unanimous vote.