

Medway Cultural Council 155 Village Street Medway, MA 02053



Cultural Council Meeting was held at the Thayer House, Oak Street, Medway Ma.

Date: January 30, 2018. Meeting called to order at 7:15 PM

Present: Carla Cataldo, Gail Hachenburg, Winnie Nyack, Karyl Wong and Kevin Green.

Active Items:

Community Input Hearing Reviewed and then discussed responses to "Medway Community Input Survey"
 Item 1. "What current arts and cultural programs or services are people aware of and feel are important to maintain.

The Consensus was that residence awareness is lacking.

People felt the following current and cultural services are important to maintain: Movies in the park, Band concerts, Medway Pride Day, Middle and High School, band and chorus, Jazz Program, High School Concerts by student ensembles, Senior Center Offerings, Thayer Space, Library Space, TC Scoops Art offerings.

- Item 2. Many people are not aware of the Cultural Council's Offerings. Issues discussed: Lack of identity of the art and culture in the town. The art community is disjointed, not working together to promote culture programs. There is a lack of public art. Town has more emphasis on Sports for students. There is a need for arts in and that Schools have old instruments that are not in working condition.
- Item 3. Discussion on "What might artists and arts organizations do to make our town a more livable, prosperous community?" Ideas suggested: Have Open Studios for artists, more clubs/drop ins such as photography, knitting etc. Using the Maker Space in the library, Lego club for kids. Use of the J. Ide Barn space for art studios. Sponsor a fall arts and crafts and textile event. Have a community space of all ages, as this hopefully would bring more people into town and make this a vibrant community.
- Approved December 2018 meeting minutes.
- Old Business

Winne Nyack has completed our FaceBook page. Thank You!!
Karyl Wong followed up on events with grantees.
Monet Magic is scheduled for February 21, 2018.
Free movies for children are scheduled at the Library during vacation week.

Cultural Inventory
 Discussed having a LOGO Contest and logistics.

Discussed Template for grant writing.

- The Media release of new grantees for 2018 has been completed.
- MCC future meeting dates: March 6, 2018 and April 3,2018.
 - Meeting adjourned at 8:40 PM

Respectively submitted by Gail Hachenburg