

Pursuant to Governor Baker's March 12, 2020 Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law, and the Governor's March 15, 2020 Order imposing strict limitations on the number of people that may gather in one place, no in-person attendance of members of the public will be permitted at this meeting.

Access via Zoom is provided for the required opportunity for public participation at the bottom of the agenda.

The Medway Cultural Council meeting was held via Zoom on November 10, 2020.

#### OFFICER'S UPDATES AND REPORTS

Call to Order: Chair Jennifer Kendall called the meeting to order at 7:04 pm.

**Members in attendance** (on Zoom): Jennifer Kendall, Jordan Warnick, Phil Giangarra, Celeste Falcone, Gail Hachenberg, Judy Moffatt, Hazel Warnick, Ancelin Wolfe, Karyl Wang, Rebecca Atwood, Kim Blenkhorn, Valerie Shinas

Absent: Joanne Williams, Angelica Crosby

#### **October Meeting Minutes:**

Upon a motion by Mr. Warnick and seconded by Ms. Moffatt, the Board voted unanimously to approve the October 11 minutes.

**Treasurer Report**: Phil Giangarra reported that the following amounts were in the MCC account:

- Art Lottery LCC \$6874.85
- CC donation account \$3160.00
- Paid CANMAN \$1000.00 and will pay for zoom account
- discrepancy with Pam's totals, Phill will connect with her.

**New Member:** Gail introduced Valerie who is recently moved to Medway and works at Lesley University. Team welcomed Valerie.

# **Chairperson Report**

 Historical Society submitted a change to their grant request, asking to use the funds to purchase storage for archival supplies. Discussed whether this fits the guidelines for MCC grants and board felt that it does not. Important to let the Historical Society know that they have until the end of 2021 to change program so that it fits with MCC guidelines.

Upon a motion by Mr. Giangarra and seconded by Ms. Warnick, the Board voted unanimously to oppose the Historical Society's request as written. The motion carried.

## **Vice Chair Report**

- Press releases with photos have been sent.
- Trail/bridges presentation was well received by The Gazette who wanted a contact to see trail, likely Joanne.
- Medway Poster- on hold for now.
- <u>Cultural Facilities Fund Grants</u> Buildings in town that are serving the culture of the community may be able to submit grant for improvement. Suggestions included Thayer House, Odd Fellows, Library. Any other ideas can go to Jordan.
- Stickers Through vistaprint, Jordan created round sticker with new logo. 240 for \$48. Kim asked Jordan to look into car stickers.

Upon a motion by Ms. Hachenburg and seconded by Ms. Blenkhorn, the Board voted unanimously to approve the purchase of smaller (1.5" round) stickers. The motion carried.

### **Library Project**

Price has increased online by \$20 since last meeting

Upon a motion by Ms. Hachenburg and seconded by Ms. Moffatt, the Board voted unanimously to approve an additional \$20 to go toward library project. The motion carried.

#### **Online Ornaments**

- Judy mentioned that downloadable ornaments will go on website starting December 1.
- Judy will send Kim pictures of what ornaments will look like.
- Ancelin inquired as to inclusion of different religions. Ornaments will be gingerbread.

**Bookmarks -** Kim suggested MCC bookmarks for publicity. Discussed possible availability at library. Possibly create a coloring bookmark that can be printed at library.

**Mission Statement** - Karyl suggested merging Kim's additional statement into original. Becky will work to blend the two and bring revision to next meeting for approval.

## **Art Advocacy**

- Hazel mentioned MassCreatives update:
  - Massachusetts Recovery and Relief bill allocated \$10million for museums, theaters, and other cultural facilities.
  - Recap of Public Support for Creative Community: \$22 million already allocated; \$31 million potential; \$16.3 million FY21 budget proposal
  - MCC COVID-19 Impact Survey results: Cultural organizations lost \$484 million; Artists lost \$20 million; More than 30,000 jobs impacted

## **Art Programming Subcommittee**

- **The Brige Project** Gail says this has been approved by Selectmen. Joanne is applying for grant plus there may be possible additional funds available from town.
- Artist Spotlight Intros have been filmed and Celeste will post monthly.
- Projects in the works: Sculpture in the Park, Winter event/bonfire, Fairy Project

**Virtual Studio Tour:** Judith has received two videos so far. Ideally would like to have all of them in by end of November.

**Artist Spotlight Suggestion:** Karyl suggested local artist Arthur Lee, who does amazing work while struggling with Lewy Body Dementia. Karyl will connect him with Kim.

**Artist/MCC** Liaisons: Jordan is connecting artists in town with a member of the MCC to explain to them what about, help support them, remind of deadline for grants. If you feel uncomfortable with this, let Jordan know.

#### **New Website:**

- Kim reminded everyone to send get their bio and picture in to either her or lennifer
- Everyone gave positive feedback on new site. Celeste suggested linking to new site from town one.

Upon a motion by Mr. Giangarra and seconded by Ms. Blenkhorn, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn the remote meeting via Zoom at 8:55 p.m. The motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Karen Tegelaar Night Board Secretary