

North Kingstown Arts Council
Town of North Kingstown
Wednesday February 12, 2020 Meeting

Members Present: Susan Hannel, Francine Crete, Gerry Grabowski, Nancy Sherman, Scott Monroe, Eleanor Acton, Donna Vanderbeck, Gail Shawn Burda, Robert Martone, Kathleen McCarthy, Jim Halley

Excused Absences: Paul Pichette, Nora Hall, Terry Shea, Rose Pichette

1. Call to order at 7:05pm.
2. Pursuant to RIGL 42-46-6(c) Notice of this meeting has been posted on the Secretary of State's website
3. Approval of Minutes from January 8, 2020: Gerry Grabowski motioned to approve the January minutes. Eleanor Acton seconded. The council unanimously approved.
4. Guests:
 - a. Chelsey Dumas, liaison substitute for Rose Pichette
 - b. Ricky Thompson
 - c. Mary Brimer, Town Council Liaison
 - d. Yarrow Thorne presented the work of The Avenue Concept. Most of their work can be seen in Providence but work nationally. Could do similar public art in Wickford and North Kingstown (Post Rd): wall murals, sculptures, selfie walls, 3D walkways, electrical box painting. Mural artists do research about the area, meet with locals to create an original piece of art/mural. The Avenue Project backs it up with photos, video, put in their magazine and on their digital map. \$1000-\$2000 for crosswalks. Electrical box painting can have a separate artist per box, rotating artists. Local businesses could sponsor. A sustainable program. TheAvenueConcept.org
5. Financial Items: Gail Shawn Burda moved to approve the finances. Donna Vanderbeck seconded. Unanimous approval.
6. Publicity/Web Site Report: Scott; everything on the web page working. Can be updated as needed with photos. Gail Shawn Burda moved to approve the report., Donna Vanderbeck seconded. Unanimous approval.
7. Project Proposals:
 - a. Art Frames for Town Hall: project #80373. Gerry is the Liaison. Gerry moved to approve. Eleanor seconded. Unanimously approved. The Arts Council owns the current frames and the new frames.

- b. The Guy Lefebvre 2020 Color Days: project #80374. Donna Vanderbeck is the liaison. Funds for age-appropriate art supplies as awards for student art. Gerry G. moved to approve. Nancy S. seconded. Unanimous approval.
- c. Summer Concerts: project #80375. Tabled until March.
- d. Children's Concerts: project #80376. Gerry G. is the liaison. Starts on July 9. Ends July 30. Susan H. moved to approve. Gail S.B. seconded. Unanimous approval.

8. Final Funding Forms

- a. Harbor Lights: Gerry G. moved to approve. Gail S.B. seconded. Unanimous approval. Didn't work out as well as in the past but we want it to continue. Too much for the current coordinator-she needs our help. We can collect cauldrons and store on the base at Quonset where NK has storage. One Harbor Lights per month, May to October. Putting together a committee; will meet next week.

9. Old Business

- a. Fundraising: none

10. New Business

- a. Movies on the Beach-waiting for proposal
- b. Make Music Day: music of different genres being made on the same day all around the world. Father's Day. Music all over NK. \$325 to build a website (Aaron Friedman) which would function like a dating app to match up musicians and show schedule to those interested in attending or participating. There are companies that will donate drumsticks, harmonicas and offer classes to teach how to play.
- a. Election of New Officers:
 - i. Gerry moved to nominate Nancy for president. Seconded by Eleanor. Unanimous approval.
 - ii. Gerry nominated Jim for vice-pres. Seconded by Gail S.B. Unanimous approval.
 - iii. Jim nominated Susan H. for Recording Secretary. Donna seconded. Unanimous approval.
 - iv. Gerry nominated Gail as co-recording secretary. Donna seconded. Unanimous approval.
- b. Roles of the liaison: Tabled until March.
- c. Support Forms for Grantees: Tabled until March.

11. Correspondence: Tabled until March.

12. Adjournment

Gerry G. motioned to adjourn at 8:52. Donna V. seconded. Unanimous approval.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan L. Hannel