

Meeting Called to Order @ 6:42 PM

Note Taker: Diane Spanos

Members Present: Amie Taylor, Andrea Lettic, Marilyn Kulesa, Diane Spanos

Secretary Report:

- Meeting Minutes from August 27, 2020 were reviewed and approved.

Treasurer's Report:

- Report was deferred until November meeting

Old Business:

- A request by Sari Bitticks and Lynne McKenney Lydick to encumber the \$650 grant "Trailblazers by Timing Activists by Choice" until the 2021 grant cycle. Program to be held on September 16, 2021.
- Partial reimbursement was made to the Auburn Public Library Terrarium Project in the amount of \$106.57. The remaining \$118.43 will be requested when the project is completed.
- Full reimbursement of \$250 was made to Dawn Kelly for her modified grant, Music is Love-Music, Magic and Comedy after a video of her program was shown on Auburn Community Television during the month of September.

New Business:

- Discussion was held on advertising and communicating the grant cycle to our community. It was decided that Andrea would write up the press release to be published in the following media sites and community centers:
 - Auburn Town website - Auburn Guide, Auburn MA Daily, Auburn News, Auburn Senior Center, Auburn Superintendent of Schools, Surrounding town print publications, Auburn Town Hall, Pakachoag Church, Auburn Public Library,
 - Auburn Cultural Council Facebook page, PTO email, Mass Live, Telegram, Go Local Worcester, Worcester County Bulletin, Auburn and Central Mass Moms, Artist Networking Facebook pages.
 - Andrea updated the information to be published and also designed a flyer that will be printed by Amie and distributed around town.

- Discussion was also held on creating a new email address for the Auburn Cultural Council. Amie said she would set up a Gmail address and would share the password with all members. This address will be used on printed material released by the council allowing readers to reach out with questions. Address:
auburnculturalcouncil@gmail.com
- Final discussion was on grant priorities set by Auburn Cultural Council that should include information collected from the community. A suggestion was made to eliminate Field Trips from current priorities unless it might be a virtual field trip. Amie will update these on the Auburn Cultural Council's Online Toolkit on the Mass Cultural council website.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:30pm

Next meeting date: Tuesday, November 10th at 6:30 pm.

