Exeter Arts and Culture Advisory Commission May 10th, 2022; 6:30 pm

Draft meeting minutes

This meeting was held from 6:30 pm to 7:27pm in the Novak Room

In attendance: Anthony Callendrello, Marissa Vitolo, Bruce Jones, Scott Ruffner, David Tovey Absent: Lovey Roundtree Oliff (Select Board Representative), Todd Hearon, Mary Paige-Provost, Dave Drouin, Dawn Amey

AGENDA

- 1. Call to order 6:55p
- 2. Review/Approval of March 8th, 2022 meeting minutes unanimous acceptance
- 3. New Business
 - a. Town warrant article results (Tony)
 - i. treasurer minutiae- money goes through Town Finance Office
 - ii. If things need to be spent on the gallery/for the gallery, do we propose to Finance? Is there guidance?
 - 1. from money that was already allocated to the former Exeter Arts Committee (around \$1800)
 - a. discuss spending amongst ourselves and money disbursed from Finance
 - 2. from other funds, like the revolving fund, more significant structure/proposal needed
 - b. Update on 2022 goals
 - i. Founders Park sculpture renovation (Bruce)
 - 1. Adam messaged Greg proposal is signed
 - 2. possibly June start date
 - ii. Town Hall (Tony/Scott)
 - 1. Discussion of historic registry status (Mary)
 - a. Lynne Monroe consulted because we are in the historic district, the Town Hall qualifies
 - 2. Update on capital improvement status and Town Hall working group
 - a. Tony to find firms that can assess the building that will include all aspects
 - b. Preservation Alliance Assessment Grant
 - c. Facilities Committee will meet with us since they are most qualified to help with assessment (Daren W helping with this.)
 - 3. Potential Facility Assessment (Materials attached)
 - 4. Meeting with Culturehouse (Materials attached)
 - a. on stand-by
 - b. model could be used eventually as fundraising
 - iii. Sculpture Walk (Mary)
 - c. Update on Townhouse Common (Scott)
 - i. Tune and Fork Tuesdays 6/21-8/23/22
 - d. Membership of Commission (Tony)
 - i. Russ renewed us for another year
- 4. Other Business (All)
 - e. Barriers to Swasey since it is going to be under construction/voted to be closed public art proposal
 - f. Unitil donation to Christmas Lights could we have year long bistro lights across downtown streets?
 - i. Reach out to Amy Farnham from Energy Committee
 - ii. Holiday Light Committee contact to find out who they work with at Unitil
 - iii. Lovey to reach out
- 4. Adjourn 7:32p