Meeting of Town of Exeter Arts & Culture Advisory Commission

Date: 12/13/2022 Time: 6:30pm

Draft meeting minutes

This meeting was held from 6:31pm to 7:45pm in the Wheelwright Room.

In attendance: Flo Ruffner, Scott Ruffner, Bruce Jones, Marissa Vitolo, Mary Page-Provost, Todd Hearon

Absent: Dawn Amey, Anthony Callendrello, Dave Drouin, Lovey Roundtree Oliff (Select Board Representative)

- 1. Call to order 6:31pm
- 2. Review/Approval of draft 11/8/2022 meeting minutes (Attached): approved unanimously
- 3. Update on 2022 goals and recommendations
 - a. Flo getting another bid on HVAC
 - i. structural stuff but bid is on the way
 - b. Town hall gallery lights Ron, the town electrician, is helping us with that products and installation
 - c. Spending EACAC funds what is the process?
 - i. MV reached out to town finance officer
 - ii. form and receipts committee member pays out of pocket then is reimbursed
 - d. Sculpture walk:
 - i. still working on Exeter's process
 - ii. thinking about getting at least 5
 - 1. PEA has several large pieces Todd to check this out
- 4. New Business
 - a. Stacy Rogers, Nina Brown, and Kristen Murphy Conservation and Sustainability Planner (kmurphy@exeternh.gov) from Sustainability Committee
 - i. Nancy Bellanger, Selectperson joined
 - ii. town ordinance to be adopted by Selectboard
 - iii. single-use plastics policy provided by members of sustainability committee
 - 1. Portsmouth model: adopted in 2019; 2022 reaffirmed but allows pass-through costs (cost per bag if bag is needed); managed by health department; enforcement?
 - 2. Questions:
 - a. alternatives
 - b. storage?
 - c. one-off vendors?
 - i. Who follows the permit if the vendor comes from out of town the vendor or the person that pulls?
 - d. permittees pulled since 2019: surveyed but not many answers; town could provide recycling if bins are monitored so as to avoid contamination; support for possible water refilling station/water fountain
 - e. educating the public if it's passed
 - 3. feedback: convenience; affordability; sales of products made of plastic as
 - 4. fundraisers
 - iv. Todd: Motion to recommend the adoption of this policy as pertaining to the arts and cultural events of Exeter with the primary focus being adequate and thorough education and providing alternatives.
 - 1. adopted unanimously
 - b. For Next Meeting: Crosswalk art via Exeter High School students and EHS' ELO Coordinator
 - c. Adjourn: 7:45p