

Meeting of Town of Exeter Arts & Culture Advisory Commission

Date: 01/10/2023 Time: 6:30pm

This meeting will take place in the Novak Room.

In attendance: Tony Calendrello, Mary Paige-Provost, Dawn Amey, Bruce Jones, Scott Ruffner, Florence Ruffner

Absent: Dave Drouin, Lovey Roundtree Oliff (Select Board Representative)

1. Call to order 6:30pm
2. Review/Approval of draft 12/13/2022 meeting minutes
3. Update goals and recommendations
 - a. Historic Assessment Grant - NH preservation Alliance submitted
 - i. 4-6 weeks for a decision
 - b. Selectboard Mtg update - recommendations read regarding HVAC, chairs, non-profit event support, and single-use plastic ban
 - i. Dept of Labor has many things for Town Hall to update/fix so HVAC
 - ii. TBD on supporting non-profit arts and culture events via town social media sites
 - iii. Plastics voted on as a policy not an ordinance
 1. More education needed in the community before enacted
 - a. execution needs work
 2. Vendors from out of town? Do they have to buy items just for town events?
 3. Fill stations? Recycle bins?
 4. Mr. Fox helps with events: recycling, compost, etc...
 - iv. Trust account and leftover EAC money
 1. \$5000 on warrant article every year
 2. \$1,854 from former EAC
 - a. Scott: motion to allocate all these funds for improvements listed below: approved unanimously
 - i. Energy efficient lighting - 6 floor lamps \$38.99 each (+/- \$240)
 - ii. Drills - 2x \$50.86 (+/- \$102)
 - iii. Extension cords - 2x 13 ft split \$20.99 each (+/1
 - iv. Locking cabinet - 42" w/3 shelves \$119
 - v. LED lights
 - vi. Signage
 - vii. Panels
 - viii. Paint/sandpaper to refurbish pedestals
 - ix. Gallery Wall Hanging System
 3. Revenue from town hall rentals
 4. Process: spend the money with personal account and then send receipt to Laura in Finance
4. New Business
 - a. Youth Art Month: last 3 Fridays/Saturdays in March
 - i. Friday opening: Musical Arts performers
 - ii. may be big or small - waiting to hear back from teachers
 - b. Crosswalk Art: Paint the Pavement
 - i. via Exeter High School students and EHS' ELO Coordinator: students need to be paired with a professional
 - ii. need to talk with Public Works - Jeff Beck or J. Perkins
 1. Flo

- iii. What crosswalks? Where?
 - 1. businesses near crosswalk could sponsor
 - 2. Dawn and Scott
 - iv. contest style where EACAC juries the design
 - 1. Marissa: submission process, guidelines, type of paint, template, and what other towns do, deadlines
 - v. the crosswalks in the “arts district”
 - 1. Mary to research other towns
 - c. Public Art
 - i. Darren W. has a grant in mind: he will come to February’s mtg
 - ii. Spot near Cornicello - park, sculpture, tables, etc...
 - iii. ideas: Jeff Whittum; Stuart Estey
 - iv. vinyl mural on Town House Common
 - 1. Dawn getting info Laura Harper - [Rochester, NH murals](#)
 - 2. Scott to check with Selectboard
 - v. Riverside of Water street - Tony Calendrello deck from Vin e Vino
5. Adjourn