

Minutes of the Ludlow Cultural Council

December 18, 2023

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The meeting was called to order by Michelle Goncalves at 6:00 pm.

Present at meeting were: Nira Flatley, Michelle Goncalves, Janet Settembro, Sharon Clarke, Bob Radowski, Bob Raconte, Pam Hayes, Larry Goodreau and Peggy Bernard

Absent: Grace Barone

Approval of minutes: Motion made by Pam Hayes to approve minutes of November 27, 2023 and December 4, 2023. Motion was seconded by Janet Settembro and was approved by all members present.

Administrative Updates

- a. **Correspondence:** Nothing new to report.
- b. **Recent Events:** No recent events to report.
- c. **Reports on 2023 Contracts/final reports received:** No final reports to report.
- d. **Purchases and Expenditure:** No purchases or expenditures to report.

Vote on Final Distribution of Grants

Motion was made to grant \$900 to East Street School Music Department for purchase of Ukuleles and was seconded by Larry Goodreau. Discussion followed.

After discussion of above motion, a revised motion was made by Nira Flatley to grant \$500 to East Street School Music Department for purchase of Ukuleles and grant \$400 to Extreme Kids, East Street, Ludlow. This revised motion was seconded by Sharon Clarke and was approved by all members present.

Notification will be sent to all grantees that have been declined. Two weeks later, all approved grantees will be notified of their approval.

Discussion of Grant Priorities for 2025

Members reviewed and discussed our 2024 Grant Priorities and proposed 2025 Grant Priorities. After discussing, it was agreed to table any further discussion to January 2024 meeting.

Discussion of 2024 Summer Concerts

Reminder: Concert starting time has been moved to 6:00 pm.

Some bands that were mentioned to check for availability are: Union Jack, (British music) and Changes in Latitude (Jimmy Buffet).

Bob Raconte mentioned that he would sponsor a short fall if more funds were needed to obtain one of these bands to play at summer concert.

Bob and Bob will check on availability of above-mentioned bands.

Further discussion included: possibility of beer trucks, need for better/more food trucks, ice cream truck, community organizations/nonprofits associated with Ludlow to sponsor Summer Concerts.

Mention was made of possible amphitheater at the former location of Vets Park Elementary School being talked about.

Other items to discuss

250th Committee has invited the Ludlow Cultural Council to “man” a table/booth at First Night on February 24, 2024. Bob Radowski and Pam Hayes are interested. They will discuss further with 250th Committee Chair.

Motion was made to adjourn meeting by Sharon Clarke and was seconded by Pam Hayes. Motion was approved by all members present.

Meeting adjourned at 7:09.

Next meeting will be January 22, 2024.

Respectfully submitted,

Nira Flatley

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