



Arts, Culture & Tourism Commission

Tuesday, July 2 at 6 pm
Town Hall Council Chambers

Meeting Minutes

Meeting called to order at 6:09pm

In attendance: Debra Smith, Ben Reeder, Shannon Culpepper, Justin Glazebrook, Pam Myers Morgan & Ed Hicks

Accepted Minutes of 6/4/24

Financial Update

- a. NHSA & LRAC Grants expenditure-: \$1000 for finalist creative fees and \$2100 for Interweave program
- b. Town Budget expenses- \$989 printing of pocket park mural panels
- c. Eversource Grant – Willey House Bench \$800 verbal with requirement to get 3rd-party nonprofit partner to accept funds and resubmit grant application. Talked with Steve on 7/24 about options. Decided to ask Main Street Corp if they would be willing to receive the grant funds on our behalf. Main St. Corp to approve request at 7/11 BOD meeting
- d. Ice Cream Social Sponsorship \$500 Newmarket Dental

New Business

Presentation by Avery Ahumada, NHS Passion Project: Willey House Mini Art Gallery Concept- approved her concept with 4 different seasonal displays. She will start with the Native tribe story of creation of the tree people. She plans to give us some art samples for our August meeting. Gallery to be provided to her for painting by 8/1 for painting.

Old Business

- 1. **Town Survey** – Final Questions shared as submitted to Bart McDonough
- 2. **Willey House Park Project Update**
 - a. Community Engagement Interweave Series-Community Weir art piece to be installed 7/16 in Town Hall. We are photographing all looms to create 3 canvas mosaics for library, town hall and Sr. Center
 - b. Photo Campaign via Better World fundraising update- portal open until 8/1.
 - c. Willey House Mural Subcommittee Minutes of June 18 approved. They are working on creation of a bench or screen to obscure Eversource box by metal artist, Markus Weinfurter.
- 3. **Summer Events**
 - a. Backyard Bash - August 2 from 5:30-9pm Commission to sign-up to staff AC&T booth

where we'll vote for Photo Contest Winners and raffle off donated art pieces to raise funds.

- b.** Ice Cream Social & Best of Photos Contest –Motion approved to move Ice Cream Social to Schanda Park for Arts in the Park last night of the concert series. We will also vote on the best photo.
 - i. Approved motion to print possible banners across the street or on light poles not to exceed \$400 to promote Ice Cream Social and Photo Contest.

Adjourned at 8:09pm, Next meeting moved to August 7 at 6pm because of Ice Cream Social

Respectfully submitted, Shannon Culpepper