

North Kingstown Arts Council meeting, June 8, 2022

Pursuant to RIGL 42-46, the meeting was opened at 7:03 start with quorum

**Financial Items** have not been totally updated because we are waiting for funds of \$19,000 on July 21, 2022. Consequently, our official report will be issued at that time.

**Computer Domain:** Laura Blackwell, our website developer told Nancy that she had received a bill for a Computer Domain. However, since we are not using it, Laura suggested we not pay for it.

**Accepting donations:** Need 501c3 letter form the town and the banking # of where the info will go to but we're not a 501c3. Consequently, we can't use Give Butter although accepting donations. Donations go to Town's bank account #, but that keeps us from being a 501c3. Discussion on becoming a 501c3: Could accept grants if becoming a 501c3. Town would still support Arts Council with annual fund, but we would be separate.

Eleanor suggested help from RISCA. Rhode Island state council on the arts...[perfect answer and RISCA could help us determine the value. Need options to accept donations. Nancy to call them for counseling

#### **Art in the news**

Nora will call Scott for schooling on setting up the ads for Donna, Roberta Eleanor, Nora

#### **Project proposals**

Final funding requires photos of events from the provider of the program

**Smith's Castle.** 8146. \$900. Strawberry festival. Grey Motioned, Eleanor seconded

**Nancy Sherman. Reimbursement:** Ordered business cards and apparel. Miscellaneous expenses, licensing fees. Final Funding: \$715. Gerry motioned, Eleanor approved

Liaisons are reminded to make certain a bill is presented and the form is filled out properly and reminded that the organization has to do final funding in order to get future funding.

**West Community Theatre:** 15 people rode the bus. Collaborated with the HIVE and a diner. Looking for more rehearsal options. Approved. \$3,000 Gerri motioned, Donna

Discussion on getting up to speed on Instagram. Debbie agreed to try to set up.

#### **Suggestions for Concert support**

Discussion on asking for donation of \$25 from food trucks when contract is signed. Representative should check with trucks on amount earned that evening for a future reference.

Jlm will pick up the check, keys, donation buckets from rec department and open the electric connection and band shell

The Council Representative biggest job will be turning people around to the high school at 5:30

Handicapped parking —cones by the senior center. (About 4PM).

Location of truck on the side by the beach. Trucks will park into the concert area along side the tree line in the back of the field (before the playground)

Advertising include parking info. Ralph does not want to turn people away when the lot is not full. if parking is available after 5:30—cars will be allowed to pull in—but not when the lot is full.

Police to be there 5-9:00 PM. Food trucks by 4 PM to be set up. They can get there as early as they want but the stage will probably not be available until after 4PM. Concerts start at 6:30

Best way to do the bucket is from the front to the back. Attendees see you and get the funds out.

Veterans of Foreign Wars will set up a table at all the concerts.

Shuttles. \$70 an evening. Start time: 5 PM. \$20 an hour

Committee will decide if Council can donate to the cost of the shuttles