

Berkley Cultural Council
November 27, 2023 Meeting Minutes

1. Meeting called to order at 6:10pm. In attendance –Arlene Medeiros, Jeanne Russo, Kelley Larabee, Susan Barrett, Angela Chang, Stephanie Malloch. Absent: Carla Lyman.
2. Minutes of 10.23.23 distributed by email previously. Corrections: change voting meeting” to “review meeting”; change “total to regrant” to “total to grant”; change “Jay Freitas” to “Joe Freitas”. Motion to accept with these corrections by Arlene Medeiros, second by Angela Chang. All in favor.
3. Treasurer’s Report by Arlene Medeiros (see attached)
 - 2 reimbursement requests received, both from Notable Blends.
 - Current balances \$4334.47 state, \$3943.62 non-state
4. Discussion of 2024 Concert Series
 - Kelley suggests Movie Nights on the Common as a possibility. Costs and logistics unknown. Stephanie likes idea, depending on costs and logistics.
 - Stephanie discusses number and dates of 2024 Concert series with Council, the following 5 dates were decided upon: June 20th, July 18th, August 1, August 15th, and either September 12th or 19th. In total 1 in each June and July, 2 in August, 1 in September.
5. Festival Grants: timing will not work for us. Council can use up to 20% of our funds for a council program, so this is a possibility. Amount would be \$1360 plus any monies we raise. Council will vote on at voting meeting.
7. Correspondence and other topics/discussion: Arlene motions to take out of order, Stephanie seconds, all in favor.
 - Angela reports to council that domain name up for renewal on 12/5/23. Cost is approximately \$15. Stephanie motions to approve renewal, Jeanne second, all in favor.
 - Kelley picked up the new council stationary from Amy King.
 - Kelley received an email from the town regarding paperwork received from state for our grant funds. Arlene spoke with Matt and clarified that the town selectman handle and sign paperwork in question.
6. Review of 2024 Grant Applications:
 - Arlene reminds council members that tonight’s review is limited specifically to questions for the applicants of grants, not discussion of grant application by council
 - BCC Grant #7 from Friends of Dighton Rock Museum Inc. for Yoga at the Park: Date listed as May 2023, suspect a typo and should be May 2024. Angela will check with them and confirm date.
 - BCC Grant #28 from Joe Waterman for Live Music Making History Live program is not sponsored? Jeanne will check with Berkley Historical Museum to see if they are interested in sponsoring.
 - Discussion of all grants will be conducted at the Council’s voting meeting scheduled for December 11, 2023.
8. Meeting adjourned at approximately 7:45pm as motioned by Arlene, seconded by Stephanie, all in favor. Next meeting date: Monday Dec. 11, 2023 6pm Grant Application Voting Meeting.