

**Berkley Cultural Council**  
**January 22, 2024 Meeting Minutes**

1. Meeting called to order at 6:11pm. In attendance –Arlene Medeiros, Kelley Larabee, Susan Barrett, Angela Chang, Jeanne Russo, Carla Lyman. Absent: Stephanie Malloch.
2. Minutes of 12.18.23 distributed by email previously. Corrections: typo – Susan’s name misspelled at end of document. Motion to accept with these corrections by Arlene Medeiros, second by Carla Lyman. All in favor.
3. Treasurer’s Report by Arlene Medeiros: full report unavailable at this time. One new item: payment request received from Mayflower Camarata with note from Fred that they were unable to do 2 original performances. Substituted 2 other performances instead. Carla motions to approve full payment with that substitution, Jeanne seconds, all in favor. Fred did reach out to Kelley to say will be applying again next year, missed this year as too busy at time of deadline.
4. Update on 2024 Grant applications: Kelley has not received any request for reconsideration. Deadline now past for such requests, grant cycle therefore considered closed.
5. Discussion of 2024 Concert Series
  - Stephanie absent so no updates at this time
  - Kelley proposed council solidify final date for September concert at our next meeting. At that time Kelley will submit Use of Common Request to town.
  - Council discusses fact that while we put some monies aside to fund concert series, we will also seek sponsors.
6. Conflict of Interest Law update: per Heather Ethics Training is now online. Kelley sending link to all council members. All members need to do, even those that just completed. Need to create a profile, log in, complete training and submit by February due date.
7. Correspondence and other topics/discussion:
  - Angela joined Friends of Dighton Rock so will abstain from future votes regarding their grant requests
  - Request from Winged Foot/26.1 Foundation to share their upcoming art contest – Kelley did.
  - Carla requests the floor to discuss library project: Library is going through the process of requesting funding for a new library. Friends of Library seeking additional members, support in any other way, for the project. Invites council members to Mocktail Party at the library, March 2nd 12:30pm, for presentation of project. Proposal will be on the agenda of June Town Meeting for approval.
  - Announcement of 2024 grantees? Usually done in the next month or so, Arlene has always taken care of but Angela volunteers to handle this year. Brochures to be printed on card-stock type paper, approximately 25 copies to start, for distribution.
8. Meeting adjourned at 6:35pm as motioned by Arlene, seconded by Carla, all in favor. Next meeting date: Monday February 26, 2024, 6pm.