

Hopedale Cultural Council Meeting Minutes – January 24, 2021

Call to order at 6pm by Chairperson Billi Manning

Attendance: Billi Manning, Ellen Murphy, Jean Hill, Jennene Pasquarosa, Linda McEwen, Sally Decelles, Ann Labrode, Kelly O'Malley and Lindsay Mercer running Zoom for Town of Hopedale

Secretary Report:

Sally Decelles reviewed the minutes of the last meeting of the HCC on January 26, 2020.

Motion to approve by Jennene, second by Billi. All in favor. Minutes approved.

Treasurer Report:

Ellen Murphy gave the treasurers report stating our balance is \$3265.17. We have not had any expenses as our events being in 2020 were cancelled due to Covid restrictions.

Grant application review and votes:

Ellen reported that we have funds remaining from 2020 that were not used by the applicants due to restrictions from Covid. All members agreed that we should reserve that money, \$3835, for the applicants to use once restrictions are lifted.

The HCC has \$5600 in grant funds from the State of Massachusetts. 11 grants were received.

NAME	PROGRAM NAME	REQUESTED	DECISION	AMOUNT
Blackstone Valley Art Ass	Free Community Art	\$350	yes	350
Claflin Hill Symphony Orc	Phoenix Rising: Cla	\$1,500	yes	1500
Kirk Whipple,	Duo Pianists, Compo	\$750	no	0
DR. "THE MACHINE" JESSE G	CHAINSAWS, CHEESEBU	\$500	yes	500
Blackstone Valley Vocatio	Racial Justice Speaker	\$500	yes	205
WILLIAM MOFFETT,	BIRCH ALLEY BRASS E	\$200	yes	200
Friends of the Hopedale L	Before Brooklyn: Th planned for September 2021	\$400	yes	400
Friends of the Hopedale L	Jeff Bellanger's Ghosts planned for October 2021	\$450	yes	450
GREATER MILFORD COMMUNITY	Keeping GMCC Alive planned for Spring 2021	\$400	yes	400
MUSIC Dance.edu	Hip Hop Dance Chair	\$280	no	0
Elaine Kraimer	Star Wars Symposium planned for July 2021	\$475	yes	475
5% of HCC administrative		\$280		280
<u>15% for a HCC Program</u>		\$840		840
<u>ie: band concert or DIP</u>				
				5600

Band concert series:

If allowed by the Town of Hopedale and State of Massachusetts we will plan a summer band concert series as follows:

June 23: 6 to 8pm, Family Night with Mike the DJ

June 30: 6 to 9pm, Mike the DJ and a Band

July 14 and 21: 6 to 9m, Mike the DJ and a Band

July 28: 630 to 830pm, a Band

August 4: 630 to 830, a Band

August 11: reserved as a rain out reschedule

Billi will reach out to the bands we planned to use last year.

Mondo Soul, Fantasy Big Band, South Bound Train, Rumors, 4-ever-fab and Mike the DJ.

Day in the Park:

Date agreed upon is September 18, 2021. We will start to let people know to save the date, but the event will only be held if approved by Town and State Covid restrictions.

Billi will work on lining up entertainment. Mike the DJ all day, Rainforest Reptiles, Animal Craze, Alpacas, Kayaks at the boat house.

A raffle will be offer, at the art show tent, to see if we can capture a head count of attendees.

Scholarship:

We will again offer a scholarship to a graduating Senior at Hopedale High School. Ann will inform the school.

Conflict of Interest:

Town Clerk asked all of HCC members to review the conflict-of-interest document and return the signed sheet that they have read it. Members also need to take training and print certificate then return that certificate to the Town Clerk.

Motion to adjourn by Jennene, second by Ann, all in favor. Meeting adjourned at 714pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Sally Decelles

HCC Secretary and Grant Coordinator.