

Mendon Cultural Council Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, February 21, 2024 @ 7:00pm in person and via Microsoft Teams

Those in attendance: Shannon Elliott, Joanne Lamothe, Paul Lamarre, Sandy Patralia

Member(s) not attending: Jim Stover

Guests: N/A

-Call to order/roll call @ 7:02pm

-Reviewed and Accepted Minutes from 1-10-24 meeting

-Reviewed 2023 Grant Cycle; discussed cash on hand and pending grantee payouts

-Review of several 2024 Grant awards where change of venue to Town of Mendon was stipulated by Cultural Council

-Discussed logistics around possible First Annual Town-wide Scarecrow Contest. This would be for local businesses, schools, police and fire, town hall, et cetera. Participants would come up with a scarecrow design that would be displayed outside the place of business and residents could vote on their favorite scarecrow. The contest would run from October 1st thru November 1st and would be promoted, among other ways, at the Rock the Block Party in town. Discussed using ballot drop box at Town Hall currently used by the Town Clerk; and trophies/certificates for First/Second/Third/honorable mention. Those receiving awards this year would get to display their trophy and have bragging rights for the year; and would be included in following years' contest to "hand-off" to new awardees.

-Next meeting is set for Tuesday 3-19-24 at Taft Library, 7:00pm

-Meeting adjourned at 7:25pm