

Mendon Cultural Council
Meeting minutes for August 18, 2015

- I. Call to order
 - A. The regular meeting of the MCC was called to order at 7:24 PM at the Mendon Town Hall in the Selectmen's Room
 - B. Members Present: Joyce Firth-Co Chair, Cynthia Donatelli-Co Chair, Debbie Perro, Marty Fletcher, Kathleen Murphy-Secretary
- II. Minutes Accepted
 - A. Minutes of the June Meeting were accepted as written
- III. Treasures Report
 - A. There is no new activity with our accounts since our last report.
- IV. Nominations/Election of Treasurer

As last reported, Kim Park has stepped down from the Treasurer's position. Marty Fletcher was nominated for the position.
A vote was taken and it passed unanimously.

 - A. Marty will retrieve the PO Box key and any Treasurer's materials from Kim Park at her earliest convenience.
 - B. The Treasurer, and Co-Chairs are required by the State to meet with the Town accountant once a year in September. Joyce Firth and Cynthia Donatelli will set up and appointment with the new Town Accountant, Eric Kinsherf, in September.
- V. Planning
 - A. Starting a data base of grant recipients along with other contacts, friends of and supporters of the Mendon CC was discussed. Cynthia Donatelli volunteered to initiate that process using contact info from accumulated return addresses collected through the years.
 - B. Involvement in the Mendon Country Fair for this year was discussed. Joyce Firth will contact Dick Ferrucci to secure our table.
 1. The date of the Fair this year is Saturday, October 10 (rain date October 11) 10-5 at the Blessing barn location.
 2. The Committee is planning to have a table and were brainstorming ideas for entertainment/activities during the fair.
 3. A volunteer sheet will be circulated next meeting for members to man the booth.
 4. Having music/entertainment at the booth was further discussed. Kathleen Murphy volunteered to contact Ann Marie Tremblay to see if there are any Nipmuc students are interested in participating.
- VI. The Cultural Council involvement in the Mendon Town Anniversary Celebration by sponsoring/organizing a multi-town choral production was discussed further.
 - A. A list of the original "Mother Mendon" towns was distributed. They are; Northbridge, Upton, Milford, Bellingham, Hopedale, Uxbridge, Millville, and Blackstone.
 - B. Locations large enough to support a substantial gathering were reviewed.
 - C. The Council will continue to look into the plausibility of this idea.
- VII. New Business
 - A. The CC Grant application deadline is October 15th.
 1. The Council has a reminder banner that hung outside the Town Hall last year. Joyce Firth will inquire as to whether or not we may hang it there again as soon as possible.
 - B. Recruiting new members was also discussed.
 1. Putting a call out for new members through local cable, the Town Crier, our Facebook page, and through our personal acquaintances.

VII. Next Meeting

September 15, 2015 7:00 PM at Town Hall

IX. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 PM

Respectfully submitted,
Kathleen Murphy