

Mendon Cultural Council
MEETING MINUTES
February 20, 2018

Joyce Firth-Chair
Debbie Perro-Secretary
Allison Chu-Treasurer
Tina Jankauskas
Bill Moffett
Ellen Gould
Michael Fater
Dan Byer-visitor

1. CALL TO ORDER: The regular meeting of the Mendon Cultural Council was called to order at 7:04PM in the lower level of the Town Hall.

A. The above mentioned members were present.

B. Mary Walling was absent.

2. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES:

A. Minutes of the January 16, 2018 meeting were read by the Secretary and were accepted without changes.

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3. TREASURER'S REPORT:

A. The Treasurer was not able to make email contact with the town accountant. No Ledger Report was submitted.

a. New email contacts for Kim Newman and/or Lisa Kelly were provided.

B. Several reimbursement issues were discussed:

a. Greater Milford Community Chorus had misunderstood the reimbursement of their grant for the 2018 season. This was clarified for them by the Chair, through the Milford School Use Program Secretary.

b. The idea of using all or part of the Mendon Sings reimbursement funds, which the 350th Committee was not able to claim, to pay Director Simeon Morrow for significant non reimbursed travel was discussed. The Committee agreed that:

1. The funds should be used for a 350th related activity as originally intended.

2. Simeon Morrow's travel expenses, which were provided to us by his accountant totaling \$2018.00, far exceeded the amount he was compensated for from the 350th Committee.
- c. After discussion with Dan Byer as to how the 350th/Brothers might feel about the possibility, the Committee, by unanimous vote, agreed that : If the MCC agreed, and if the Town Accountant did not see any reason why we could not, the Mendon Cultural Council would like to reimburse Simeon Morrow the \$2000 which the 350th Committee was not able to claim.
- 1.The Chair will look into those possibilities and report on that at the next meeting.

4. OLD BUSINESS:

- A. Ellen Gould and Joyce Firth will attend the MCC Institute in Worcester on 3.17.18 and report on the event at the next meeting.
- B. Ellen Gould will contact Kathleen Murphy to obtain administrator information and will design and maintain a FB page that meets our needs.
- C. Deb Perro shared the recent press release regarding 2018 grantees.
- D. The Town site still needs updating. Dan Byer agreed to help with that.

5. NEW BUSINESS/ITEMS NOT ANTICIPATED

- A. The Chair, Joyce Firth announced that June 2018 will begin her last year in the Chair position. And offered, as an option for a seamless transition, to co-chair with anyone who may wish to fill the seat in the future.
- B. There was a considerable amount of discussion regarding the Committee's inability to raise funds for its own use. The MCC states that LCC's can and do raise funds in other towns. It was left that individual members may research this possibility and bring all gathered information to the next meeting for further discussion.
- C. **NEXT MEETING MARCH 20TH,2018 7:00PM** in the Town Hall, if available.

6. AJOURNMENT The meeting was adjourned at 8:15PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Joyce Firth/DP, Secretary

