

Meeting Minutes
Weston Cultural Council
Online via Zoom
February 10, 2021
7 p.m.

WCC Members Present Online: Paul Angiolillo, Anthony Butler, Tom Kilgallen, Chris Martin, Jacob Sagrans, Sonali Tambe. Present via phone : Francis Parker

1. Call to order.

Co-Chair Anthony Butler called the online meetings to order at 7:05 p.m. and began recording the proceedings. He read the Town policy for online remote meetings which provides protocol for setting up these meetings and guidelines for conducting a meeting from a legal compliance perspective.

2. Resident comments.

There were no online resident comments.

3. Assigning secretary

Chris Martin was the secretary for the meeting.

4. Review and approve the minutes

The minutes from December 9, 2020 and February 3, 2021 were reviewed and approved.

5. Treasurer's report

Tom led a brief review of the status of several 2020 grants that have not been completed to determine if the money should remain encumbered and used by Labor Day or if the funds should be unencumbered and added to the 2021 grant amount. The \$800 granted to the Friendly Society will be utilized to cover expenses they incurred in the Middle School production last March that was shut down as the pandemic began. The \$1225 granted to the Spellman Museum will be added to unencumbered funds as their programs did not occur. Margaret Wiss will keep \$250 to use for an online dance performance by Labor Day 2021 and the remaining \$500 will become unencumbered. That brings the total available for 2021 grant applications to \$11,528: \$4,900 from MCC, \$4,900 from Weston (\$4,800 in match, \$100 surplus from previous years), and \$1,728 in unencumbered funds.

6. Conclusion of review of 2021 Grant applications

Members reviewed and adjusted the preliminary decisions from the February 3, 2021 meeting, based on additional information received during the week by various members. The allocation of funds was completed, utilising the funds available as listed above.

Applicants of grants deemed unacceptable will be notified as soon as possible so they can resubmit their application if they desire. Applicants of approved grants cannot be notified until the denials have been processed.

7. New Business

There was a brief discussion of the terms of office of the current members and the need to replace Anthony and Tom in April when their terms expire unless they decide to stay for a second term.

Kara Fleming in Town Hall will advertise the openings on the town website, online, and in the local press. Members were also asked to think about the roles they would like to be assigned for the coming year. It was also suggested that the council consider adding additional members if possible since four current members have terms ending in March 2022.

8. Next meeting date and adjournment

The council will meet online on Wednesday, March 3, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. if necessary to reconsider denied applicants who request a second review. If no applicant requests a review, the council will meet on Wednesday, March 17, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.