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Usually Meets 1st Tuesday of Every Month

WELCOME 6:29 pm Ann welcomes everyone at 14 Cedar Street.Call to order.

AJ does the **ROLL CALL**: Members Present: ***Ann Johnson(AJ), Amy Vander Els, (AV), Laura Kozlowski (LK), Rachel Wallace (RW) Margaret Leahy(ML)Madison Barnes(MB)Aimie Westphal, Bryan Riley(BR)Joanne Barnes(JB) Bailey Campbell (BC) Ellie O'leary (EO)***

our rep from MCC is on zoom tonight.(didn't connect)

Absent: Sally Nutt(SN)

Approval of November minutes: MB seconds AV, unanimous

Public Comment: Woon Chu wants a Juneteenth celebration for Amesbury, Laurie Douglas representing garden group (plant pollinator garden) Elaine Carol(Ovarian Cancer lantern festival) Nancy Mains (random observer) Mark Rosen from Newburyport, Rhonda Ruby just moved to Amesbury, Rosemary Carol

6:33pm Treasurer report (AV): 16,226.73 gift accounts include open studios and grants from MCC doesn't include the donation from the green team 225.

Grants account: 4970.27 waiting for the Mosaic mural, the two chamber events, and Community Marketplace, Classic stories in the open. Mangia turned into Lizzy Borden and it just happened, and first studio actors studio.

6:38:Marketing (ML) Twice a month, the newsletter comes out. If you have any information please get it in before 1st and the 15th of the month.

6:40 Open studios: 14,500 in the account, 11,500 expenses so we made about 3000 for open studios!

It was pretty positive, Costello center loved the space, artists did well, maybe one less artist next year.

Signage on Elm Street…some people were lost finding this space.

City Hall went well. Businesses had their best day ever. Looks like Lopez was her best weekend since she has been in Amesbury. Artists all had a great weekend too. Maybe try to do some more corporate sponsors next year. Two MCC grants, in February and March we will apply for this event for next year. A lot of inquiries about the silent auction so we will bring it back next year.

6:43 Art at City Hall Mayor Gray exhibit is up now, LK and Mayor printed and framed over the weekend. Next month will be a students

6:45pm Public Art: AV: Stairs delayed until the Spring. Tile workshops are happening, maybe we can all have an ACC tile making workshop. There is one on Saturday at Lowell's Boat Shop. ML will put these into the newsletter.

6:46pm Poet Laureate: Ellie, Lisa and Brian are having a zoom call to try to figure out the Poet Laureate group(support meeting).

6:55pm GRANTS!

This year's priorities: offer free or affordable for residents of Amesbury, enhance our city with place making etc.

12,500 to give away this year, we had 51 proposals

1. Live well Amesbury 600
2. Whispers of past 500
3. Riverwalk historical kiosks 1100.00
4. Amesbury Chamber summer series music 1000
5. Pollinator garden at town park 600
6. Adult makers at Carriage Museum 400
7. Amesbury Earth day 900
8. Art on the Lawn 1500
9. ***Poetry readings- will fund this out of our annual***
10. Kids Z day at park: 650
11. Plant paint pollinator butterfly mural migration 800
12. Stop motion animation at Code n Circuit 800
13. Nature birds in your backyard 325
14. Community Mural workshop to make the mosaic tiles for Market Square tunnel. 2275
15. Songs of WW2:550
16. Indigenous People's day: 600

Motion to accept what we have allotted for funds AV, ML seconds Unanimous

Motion to fund Lisa for Poetry readings outside of the grants, AV, seconds ML, Unanimous

7:45pmUpdate on Cultural Center:

City has contracted with a contractor to renovate the space! Launch meeting on Monday, the Mayor will have a timeline on what is happening moving forward.

Dates on the Calendar : Next meeting is **January 7, 2025**

Motion to adjourn AJ, BR seconds…Unanimous.

Laura B. Kozlowski