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Usually Meets 1st Tuesday of Every Month

WELCOME 6:33 pm Ann and Sally welcomes everyone at 14 Cedar Street.Call to order.

AJ does the **ROLL CALL**: Members Present: **Margaret Leahy (ML)**, **Ann Johnson(AJ)**, **Amy Vander Els, (AV)**, **Sally Nutt(SN)**, **Aimie Westphal, Library Director (Liaison)****Laura Kozlowski (LK)**, **Randy Herman(RH)**

Absent:, **Madison Barnes(MB)****Brian Riley(BR)****John Moynihan(JM)**

Amendment No Zoom meetings allowed need official presence, and take out co-chairs.
Approval of March minutes with amendments: ML seconds AJ, unanimous

Public Comment: Rachel Wallace is visiting.

6:34pm Treasurer report (AV): 28217.18 our account, 12870.27 Grant account. Poets will be reimbursed directly with invoices.

6:42 Grant Report: ML: made a sign up sheet for ACC members to attend events on Google. No hard dates yet. A lot of events have already happened: Art workshop at Carriage Museum, Code and Circuit, annalise, Herstory, Island to AmericaLet's send out an email reminder for the remaining dates for grant recipients. **Grant recipient Delvena Theater Company requests approval to change their performance of Mangia and Meatballs to a live zoom performance of Salem's Creepy Curses and Hauntings. Fee for zoom is 500, not 750.**

Motion to switch the Delvena Theater Company from Senior Center with a different show to the Amesbury Library, AJ, ML seconds, Unanimous.

•Switching Reimbursements to Direct Grant... ACC sent a packet to the Mayor and City Hall, and they are on board. Just need to make it official for the next cycle in a notice and the artist will have to send in a W9 for taxes **we have links on our grants page for this anyway*

Motion to make this a permanent change from Reimbursement to direct payments AJ, Seconds, ML, Unanimous.

7pm Marketing Report: ML: Poetry month has begun! Events and details are on the ACC site. Social media posts have been made and newsletter has been sent out. A second one should be sent out the end of the month. Banner is too big for Market square, people can't walk under it. It needs to be like 2x8; ML applied for a permit, heard nothing and someone complained once it was up. Spent 280.00 for the banner.

Can we use it at the Library? Or he said can let it slide for next time. ML has taken it down. Can probably hang it in the back of the Library where you can see it from Parking. ML wants 200 for marketing materials to cover the rack cards. Needs a refresh.

Motion to approve the 200 to cover the marketing fee for new rack cards and new business cards if any remaining funds-AV, AJ seconds, Unanimous.

7:15pm Art at City Hall Report:(AJ) Needs to make the next call for art, it will go out next week. Mixed media, all mixed up.

7:16pm Poet Laureate Report:(BR) n/a

7:18 pm Open Studios :The Chamber Business and Breakfast meetings, would we want to present about Open Studios in one of these sessions? Heather Goffs with Essex heritage commission for Trails and Sails, they are expanding from 2 to 3 weekends. It lists in their magazine all the events in Essex County-Maybe we can get into the book.?

7:22pm Public Art: ML going to be doing the mural at Lake Gardner. Cathy will meet with ML next week but it needs to be done by June 1. On one side of the snack shack...planning of doing closeups of different textures of what you would find in the pond. Asked Whitney of the tunnel and is getting a run around. Mayor has given her a link with the hwy department and they accepted her ideas. Needs to formulate a proposal with the ACC to submit an application with the DOT.

Jarvis has been away and nothing has happened with the mural project on the Amesbury Industrial building. It isn't dead but in limbo right now.

7:31 New Business: Discuss at the next monthly meeting maybe get a presentation together for a Business and Breakfast. North Shore magazine reporter doing a piece on Amesbury. Wants to discuss open studios. It comes out in June? Next Merchant issue is due April 15...publish the list of grant recipients. Discussion of being in the Rails to Sails magazine? Any events for this we might want to publish, maybe talk to PL ? Deadline June 1...

7:50pm Matters not reasonably anticipated in advance of the meeting: Library is looking for a new home of table top easels. (15) Wants them to go to a new home. Rachel is looking for someone to make signs for her pollinator garden.

Dates on the Calendar: **May 7, 2024** is our next meeting. Poetry events: Gallery Viewing April 7 12-4, email your poems to Deb by April 14 and April 21 is the the reading 2-4pm Monthly reading is in person April 24 630-8. Rockport poetry festival April 8, 6-8pm at Whittier home.

8pm Motion to Adjourn,AJ , seconds EV, Unanimous.

Laura b. Kozlowski

