

Town of Washington

Arts Council- Minutes

November 9, 2023- 7:00 pm

Bryan Town Hall main conference room and zoom

Members Present:

Abdo Ballester, Fran Keilty, Kirsten Leon, Simon Holt Tracy Liz Miller, Victoria Rowan

Staff: Michelle Gorra- Economic and Community Development Coordinator

1. Call to order 7:06
2. Consideration of the Minutes of October 12, 2023. Simon moved to approve the minutes and Victoria seconded. All in favor
3. Old Business
 - a. Victoria asked for accounting from the Photo sale. We will need to set up the new Arts Council account with the new Treasurer, Ashley Judson. Michelle will get all the income and expenses reported out.
 - b. Cultural District- We need to set up time to work on this. Both Simon and Victoria offered to set up time with Michelle during the work day. Michelle started work on the map. Abdo suggested we show the sculptures around town and Victoria suggested we add stores that sell some art. We discussed the walkability of the Green again. We want to make sure we include Jack Rosenberg in the process at some point. The council reviewed the members of the council to see how the backgrounds line up with the requirements of the Cultural District state requirements for the minimum 6 members. We may want to reach out to the museum, the library or IAIS.
4. New Business
 - a. Holiday in the Depot- Arts Council participation
After some discussion the arts council decided to sponsor a bag-pipe player for the event. The musician will wear the Arts Council Logo so people will know who sponsored.
Fran moved to approve the expenditure and Kristen seconded. All voted in favor.
The arts council also discussed having flashlights made with the Arts Council Logo to hand out to children during the event. Simon offered the help and co-sponsorship of the Washington Art Association.
5. Sharing of Events-
6. Public Comment
7. Adjournment- 8:20

Respectfully Submitted,

Michelle Gorra

Recording of the meeting

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8-tiELd2ZWg>