

HARWICH CULTURAL COUNCIL

Meeting Minutes - June 8, 2017

The meeting was called to order at 4:40 p.m. by Chairperson Tina Games

Members present: Tina Games, Joan Sacchetti, Shay Mitchell, Rose Ann Clarke

Special guest: Jannell Brown, *Harwich Selectwoman and BOS Liaison*

Welcome: A brief introduction was made to welcome our guest, who updated us on the status of the town's two-year plan for the Harwich Cultural Center. It was noted that Carolyn Carey would be overseeing the rental of studio space and that the venue was mostly full. There was a discussion of other ways the facility could be used to support cultural and recreational activities – and what events have already been scheduled. A formal invitation was extended to council members to tour the center and to consider it as a place for future meetings and the spring grant reception.

Secretary's Report: The minutes from the May 11, 2017 meeting were reviewed and approved with Joan Sacchetti moving to accept the minutes and Shay Mitchell seconding the motion.

Financial Report: The current financial report was presented by Treasurer Joan Sacchetti - and was reviewed and approved. Rose Ann Clarke motioned to accept and Shay Mitchell seconded. Joan Sacchetti also noted that she would be reaching out to the town accountant over the summer to discuss and complete the FY17 LCC form required by the Massachusetts Cultural Council. The town's input is due by September 30th.

Old Business: There was a discussion about this year's grant reception – what worked well and what didn't. The council will consider a smaller venue next year and will plan for lighter refreshments. Other entertainment options were also discussed. Chairperson Tina Games also provided an update on the council vacancies – and shared that a new council member would be appointed in June, leaving one council vacancy.

New Business: The council agreed on the 2017-18 meeting schedule and discussed a new meeting venue since the room at Brooks Library is no longer available on the date needed. Chairperson Tina Games will check on room availability at the community center and will update everyone before the September meeting. She also announced that the HCC Facebook page is now live and ready to be shared. The council will use it for various announcements and to keep the public informed about the grant cycle. New officers were confirmed for the 2017-18 year: Tina Games, Chair; Joan Sacchetti, Treasurer; Lorraine Bossi, Secretary

The meeting was adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

*** Minutes submitted by: Tina Games, Chair (on behalf of Secretary Lorraine Bossi)**