

HUBBARDSTON CULTURAL COUNCIL

MEETING MINUTES

March 4, 2020

MEETING BEGAN AT: 6:35 PM

MEETING ADJOURNED AT: 7:30 PM

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Lori Engle, Treasurer

Sara Lyon, Member

Donna Shea, Secretary

Bill Shea, Chairman

Peter Walker, Alternate

MEMBERS NOT IN ATTENDANCE: Sarah McMaster, Member

START OF THE MEETING: Bill, our Chairman, opened the meeting at 6: 35.

AGENDA: 1. Approval of minutes of the meeting held on November 14, 2019

2. Update on finances by our treasurer, Lori Engle

3. Update on scheduled events by FY2020 grantees

4. Discussion pertaining to our participation in the Hubbardston Fair which will take place
June 27

5. Discussion of Mass Cultural Council Survey

OPEN ISSUES: The Minutes of the Meeting of November 14, 2019 were approved and filed in the town file cabinet.

Lori passed out the financial report to bring us up to date and discussed balancing the budget to the penny. All grants for FY2019 have been paid and Lori was able to successfully complete the Annual Report on time.

We discussed finalizing event dates with some of the grantees as we still have some TBD dates. Bill said he would follow up with those grantees.

Donna talked about attending Jay Mankita's Playful Engineers event held at Hubbardston Center School cafeteria on February 25th. She felt it was money well spent as there were two 90 minute sessions with 4th, 5th and 6th graders in attendance who were fully involved and entertained by Jay. He explained chain reactions to the children, had a Q and A with them and then had an involved chain reaction display to show the children just how it all worked together. Then the children were allowed to put to use all of the dominoes, legos, balls, etc, that he had brought along to do their own thing! It was a fun time and a learning experience for all. We all agreed that it was one of our best events.

Sara talked about Greg Maichack perhaps changing the date of his Pastel Painting event to an October/November date so as not to be too close to the Christmas season. She felt that attendance would improve and, since we granted him \$498, it is indeed a lot of money if only a dozen or so people attend. Bill will follow up with Greg and also Chris at the library to discuss+ scheduling an earlier date in the year. Also, as far as we know, no one has complained about receiving a lesser amount than asked for in the grant application.

We also talked about trying to advertise events in Uniquely Quabbin which is one of our grantees.

We decided that this year there was no real advantage of setting up a HCC advertising table at the Hubbardston Fair.

Sara had a copy of our survey and we talked of re-reading it and modifying/changing some of the questions. The MCC survey was completed by some of our members online.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:30.

MINUTES SUBMITTED BY: Donna Shea, Secretary HCC