

North Brookfield Cultural Council Meeting Minutes

Date: 8.23.23

Members (checked if present)

Karen Erikson	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Jillian Phillips	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
Connie Moore	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
Kaylee Kuhne	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Nancy Voutour-Waldron	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>

Meeting called to order: 6:30pm

Meeting adjourned: 7:30pm

Minutes:

- Minutes from 5.8.23 approved by all
- Reviewed guidelines and priorities for our LCC
- Discussed grants, workshops, next steps
- Reviewed grants that have been submitted and those still needing documentation to come in

Funding priorities:

The priority for the North Brookfield Local Cultural Council as required by the set guidelines from the Massachusetts Cultural Council include a focus on the arts, humanities & science, events that benefit the public, and that grants will not discriminate in accordance with state law. The results of the 2023 LCC survey showed that the community would like to see more festivals and fairs, musical and theater productions, as well as opportunities that showcase science, nature, and the environment. We are also committed to local community involvement, and as such will be prioritizing local grant submissions as defined by North Brookfield residents and those in the surrounding towns.

Guidelines:

- Applicants who have an event with a secured venue, date, detailed publicity plan and defined budget outline that addresses the diverse needs of our community.
- First year applicants will be given priority over those who submit repeat applications.
- Events that benefit the greater public will be given priority over those geared to a specific subset of the community.

