

**Montague Cultural Council Wednesday, August 5th, 2020, 7:30 pm Zoom Virtual Meeting**

**Meeting ID: 715 2743 8178 Passcode: montague**

**Present: Rachel, John, Kate Anne, Kathy**

**Absent: Betty**

**Minutes**

1. Chairperson opens meeting **8:11**
2. Approve minutes: Council meeting – June 7, 2020

**Kathy motion to approve, Kate seconded, Kathy and Anne abstained**

4. Treasurer's report – **Anne has been overwhelmed with covid related emergency childcare. Checks may not have gone out with paperwork being in limbo at town hall during the closure. Anne will meet with Eileen (?) at town hall and will send email soon with full update. She will also contact recipients who haven't received checks.**
5. 2020 Grantee updates and adjustments – **Rachel sent out request for updates. Got responses from most—plan to go forward virtually or postponed for the most part.**

**Nolembeka already did their project**

**In the Wee Small Hours Cabaret—haven't heard from them, might not be accepting grant**

**Discovery Center Owls planning to reschedule**

**Poetry in our schools postponed to fall or maybe virtual**

**Makerspace—haven't heard**

**Musica Franklin doing virtual events**

**Apple Corps- haven't heard**

**Racial Justice Rising—haven't heard but have done enough events**

**Sugarloaf String Band—outdoors July 29**

**Voices Carry- haven't heard**

**New England Banjo Fest—rescheduled for November**

**Millers Falls—Eric hasn't gotten the check but could still do something**

**Real Live Theater—either audio or zoom**

**Barbes—virtual**

**Migrations—continue as planned**

**Coop concerts—postponing till next year**

**Books Through Bars—haven't heard**

**Bim Bam—Facebook live event**

6. “In These Times” council sponsored call for art- update and proposed extension

**4 responses so far. Rachel would like to extend deadline. Kathy would like to do it again but with higher prize amount. John advocates for multiple winners at the \$250 amount**

**Rachel moves to extend competition deadline to Sept 15; Anne seconds. All in favor.**

**Re publicizing—need to translate into Spanish**

**Ad ran twice in Montague Reporter—run again with highlighted extension**

**Ask Suzanne to send out new press release**

**Contact newspapers**

7. Next meeting date set

**Sept 16 at 8 pm virtually**

9. Topics not anticipated within the 48 hours posting requirement.

**Kathy working on a large sculpture show for her property  
Mass Cultural Council grant deadline is extended by at least a month**

**Ended 9:02**