

BEDFORD CULTURAL COUNCIL
Bedford Town Hall
1st Flr Conference Room
Wednesday, September 7, 2011
7:30PM

MINUTES

Present: Ken Gordon, Chairman; Jane Franklin, Asst. Chair; Barbara Purchia, Breena Daniel, Archivist; Cheryl Blalock, Secretary; and Ginny Packer, Treasurer.

Not Present: Sue McCombs and Tim Gartland

Call to Order was 7:32PM

Welcome to Tim Gartland (in absentia), who was sworn in by the Selectmen this past week.

Review Minutes of Tuesday, AUGUST 15th, 2011:

- Plans for 2011 Bedford Day Parade Participation (Sat., September 17, 2011)
- Information in acquiring the BCC Banner for the parade – Ken to inquire to Mary Johannessen
- Community Outreach Efforts
 - BCC advertisement in the *Action Unlimited*, Concord-Action-Bedford community magazine and the Bedford Minuteman
 - Website - Blanket email with links to grant application to be developed by Ken Gordon
- Purchasing of T-Shirts for Bedford Cultural Council Committee

Motion was made to accept the Minutes of August 15, 2011 by Breena Daniel; Barbara Purchia seconded the Motion.

Treasurer's Report:

Reviewed the 2011 BCC Balance Sheet as of June 30, 2011; Ginny Packer to email Cheryl Blalock the 2011 Bedford Cultural Council Grant Financials (bills, grant awards, etc.) to include with the September 7, 2011 meeting minutes. Ginny gave mention to those grant awards that may have been extended awaiting receipts.

New Business:

Discussed distribution of T-Shirts to BCC members and friends of BCC who will march in the Bedford Day Parade; preference of sizes and styles for members. Question as to whether to accommodate those BCC members that are not marching with a t-shirt? The screen for T-Shirt-\$80; and \$2 ea. Blanks. The receipts for T-Shirts will go to Ginny.

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Cheryl Blalock volunteered to create logo art/poster for the Bedford Cultural Council, another form of outreach, to display in various locations in and around Bedford (i.e. Bedford Free Library, wherever artists, writers gather, etc.); Barbara Purchia suggested displaying the logo art/poster at Bedford Arts and Crafts to be held on Bedford Common.

Last meeting for grant applications; deadline October 15th, 2011 although council discussed that we will accept applications up until afternoon of October 18th. Acceptance of grant applications will be made 14-days after submittal; rejection of applications in November; monetary awards in December.

Discussion of determining the logistics of distribution and review of the grant application copies for all council members before the next meeting, Monday, October 24, 2011. Ginny Packer will collect the applications from the USPS and submit to Breena Daniell. Then Breena will compile and copy the applications for council members and Ken will enter the grant applications onto the website he will create or we will be able to pick up our copy at 1 Short Street, Bedford, the Gordon residence.

Discussion in contacting last year's grant recipients who may be delayed in submitting their receipts; calling for prospective grantees; Cheryl Blalock, upon acquiring a list of last year's recipients volunteered to call.

Other Business:

Review of the horticulture work done by the Bedford Garden Club at the Edith Norse Rogers VA Medical Center here in Bedford. Beautiful work!

Next Meeting: Monday, October 24, 2011

Meeting Adjourned: 8:45PM

Respectfully submitted,

Cheryl Blalock
Secretary