

Meeting of the Maynard Cultural Council

Minutes for September 9, 2021

This meeting was conducted as a remote meeting to prevent spread of COVID-19

Meeting called to order @ 7:02 pm.

Council attendees: Sara Lundberg, Richard Pepin, Zannah Noe, Andrew Moerlein

Absent: Greg Bokis

Visiting: Lynda Thayer, Sean Coleman, Nicholas Gomes, Armand Diarbekerian

1. Minutes from August 5, 2021 MCC meeting updated and approved
2. Nicholas Gomes and Sean Coleman, speaking on behalf of those parties seeking to renovate and develop the properties at #2 Waltham Street and #2 Powdermill Road Maynard, MA propose the installation of public art (murals, etc.), i.e. a “Gateway to Maynard” as part of this development. They seek the Maynard Cultural Council’s buy-in on this project. The Maynard Cultural Council agreed to this.
3. Armand Diarbekerian spoke in regards to future (starting in 2022) use of “Naylor Court” (aka, “the Basin”). Proposals include: moving the Farmer’s Market to this location, weekend family activities, nighttime movie showings (perhaps sponsored by Fine Arts Theatre if it is up and running), and finally, music performances in this space, which could be promoted and/or sponsored by the Maynard Cultural Council
4. Maynard Cultural Council had a booth at the Farmers Market on September 4, 2021. Much interest was generated for the council and for cultural events in town. Several people expressed interest in joining the council and one tote bag was sold!
5. MaynardFest will be October 2, 2021 - Maynard Cultural Council will have a booth. Proposal for a small replica of the new 150th anniversary mural to be used as a photo-op. Sara and Andy will spearhead this. Maynard Cultural Council merchandise will be sold (the items will be repriced).
6. Maynard Cultural Council will try to fill vacancies on the council by October 15 2021 so that new members can participate in the 2022 Grant Cycle
7. 2022 Grant Cycle publicity is underway. Sara to print fliers for distribution around town. Rich to help with the distribution.
8. 150th Mural donors to be thanked in writing. Andy & Sara to provide list of names - Rich to write and mail “Thank You” letters.
9. Maynard 150th Anniversary parade September 19, 2021 - MCC will not participate. Sesquicentennial Committee to be informed.
10. New Maynard Cultural Council logo design approved by the council. Zannah to finalize colors.
11. Andy to distribute Maynard Master Planning info to council to discuss at next meeting.
12. Next Maynard Cultural Council meeting scheduled for September 23, 2021.

Meeting adjourned @ 8:00 pm