

**Gloucester Cultural Council Minutes
Wednesday December 8th, 2021 – 5:30p
Meeting held at: Harbormaster's Office**

GCC members present: Shayla Swigart, Elizabeth Neumeier, Lucas Cotterman, Laura Crook-Waxdal, Kay Koretsky and Rebecca Nagle

The 5:30 meeting was called to order

Announcements:

There were no initial announcements.

Minutes:

The minutes from the November 11th meeting were reviewed by council members. Lucas moved to approve Shayla seconded. The minutes were approved. Kay will send the minutes to the city for posting. Lucas is moving to Essex and is investigating if he can continue on the council while living in another community.

Update: Ice Sculpture Event: On 1/22/2022 1:30-4:30

Lucas updated the council on his recent meeting with the city and other players planning this event. It will be held in the lot on Rogers Street called I4C2. There is some question about if the sculpture will be on a platform or ground. Other logistics were discussed.

Treasurer's Report:

Rebecca Nagle covered the Treasurer's reports for FY21&22 and made her recommendations for this grant cycle:

Total MCC allocation:	\$12,000
20% for a community Project:	\$ 2,400
5% toward admin fee:	\$ 438
Total for grantee allocation:	\$9,000

The council discuss potential need for the admin fee (banner, media kit, logo design or other branding projects)

Rebecca recommends doing direct pay from the city from now on.

Rebecca is resigning from the Council after the report is filed. He last day will be Feb 1, 2022,

Rebecca filed requests for reimbursement for food and beverages from the recognition event in October. Note: The MCC and City will not support alcohol reimbursements.

Moving forward we will need 3 people in attendance for a quorum (5 members total, half plus one).

Grant Deliberation:

The Council decided to vote yeah or nay on the grant applications and then vote on fund distribution in our January meeting.

The Council strategy was to give a bit of monies to as many folks as we can rather than a meaningful amount to a few.

A total of 21 applications were denied. Eighteen applications were approved plus two maybes

Next meeting Jan 12th 5:30 at Harbormasters

Motion to adjourn at 8:01 pm by Kay, Shayla seconded.