

Marshfield Cultural Council

Minutes

Tuesday, September 26

6:30pm, Marshfield Town Hall

In attendance:

Ned Bangs

Amanda Davis

Laura Harvey

Andrea Miller

Marie Miller

Diana Perry

Les Taylor

We discussed the maximum number of committee members we are able to have, which is 11 (we currently have 9). A few candidates were mentioned who could be asked to join us. Laura & Diana will pursue.

Summer concert series recap: everything went well overall. The Boys & Girls Club has proven to be an excellent back-up in case of inclement weather. The B&G Club has also offered to have their back field available to us as a future outdoor concert venue. We could consider expanding to four concerts next year. We then took a vote to sponsor another season (whether it is 3 or 4 concerts) next summer and the vote was unanimously in favor.

Discussion on setting up a donation/gift account for the Marshfield Cultural Council. This would be initiated through town officials in order to receive misc. donations from anyone wishing to support our endeavors. Ned said he would be willing to get this process started should we be in favor of pursuing. We voted unanimously in favor.

A suggestion was made by Andrea to perhaps add a raffle and/or auction component to our concert series next year. It would be another chance for us to fundraise & bring in money. No decision was made and further discussion is warranted.

Election of officers: Les Taylor volunteered to be Secretary again and Jim McCorry previously expressed interest in continuing as Treasurer. After discussion regarding the value of having Co-Chairs to guide our committee, Diana Perry volunteered to be one of them. We discussed having Carole McCorry as the other Co-Chair, as long as she doesn't have to deal with committee money matters with her husband, Jim as Treasurer, which could be perceived as a potential conflict. Therefore, it was decided that Diana could be the Co-Chair who deals with Jim regarding the committee's financial matters. A unanimous vote was taken in favor of electing the four named members above to these positions for this grant year.

Comments were made regarding a potential request to Steve Biagini for a write up on what the Chair of our committee does and the responsibilities it entails. For future reference, a similar write up would be helpful from Jim regarding the Treasurer position.

A comment was also made regarding the need to be proactively aware of an expected grant request once again from the local mural artist, Dana Forsythe this coming year. A mural at the Marshfield Fairgrounds was supposedly done by MHS students, which wasn't outlined in Dana's previous grant submission. We will need more detail and specifics regarding Dana's future plans moving forward with any new grant requests that he submits.

Our next meeting, when we will review our newly submitted grants for this year, will take place on Tuesday, November 14th from 6:30 - 8pm at Town Hall.

A unanimous vote was taken to conclude our meeting. Meeting adjourned at 7:43pm.