

Wayland Cultural Council

Meeting Minutes

June 25, 2020

Remote Meeting

Note: In compliance with the March 22, 2020 Massachusetts Office of the Governor's Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law, M.G.L. c. 30A, s. 20, this meeting was livestreamed on local broadcast on WayCam. Public comment was received by telephone during the time designated for public comment.

Council members in attendance: Rachel Sideman-Kurtz (Chair), Barbara Holtz, Adam Gutbezahl, Susan Warren, Zoe Hughes, Jonathan Saxton, Brenda Ross, Kathy Trogolo, Louise Reck

Council members not in attendance: Richard Lee, Sean Ahern

Members of the public in attendance: Mary Antes

Meeting materials: Draft 11/25/2019 minutes; Draft 2/3/2020 Subcommittee minutes; Discovery Museum letter dated 5/8/2020; logo designs

I. Vote on Minutes

Ms. Ross moved to approve the minutes for the November 25, 2019 meeting. Ms. Reck seconded the motion. Vote approved 7-0-2, with Ms. Sideman-Kurtz, Ms. Holtz, Ms. Reck, Ms. Warren, Ms. Hughes, Ms. Ross, and Mr. Gutbezahl voting in favor and Ms. Trogolo and Mr. Saxton voting present.

The Council discussed the minutes of the Subcommittee.... A discussion ensued as to whether the Council needed to approve the minutes of the Subcommittee. A vote on the Subcommittee was initiated but was ultimately tabled for a later meeting.

II. Discussion of Subcommittee

Following the discussion of the Subcommittee meeting minutes for its February 3, 2020 meeting, the Council addressed whether its Subcommittee needed to be organized as a formal entity pursuant to the Open Meetings Law. Council members, including Ms. Ross and Mr. Gutbezahl, provided examples of how other boards and committees in Wayland operate. Ms. Sideman-Kurtz and Mr. Gutbezahl agreed to speak with Town officials and report back to the Council about the Subcommittee.

III. Approving Discovery Museum Request

The Council considered a letter submitted by grant recipient Discovery Museum dated May 8, 2020. By and through this letter, the Discovery Museum requested the Council approve a modification to its use of the grant funds. The Council discussed the letter and then held a roll call vote on approving the Discovery Museum's request. All members present (Ms. Sideman-Kurtz, Ms. Holtz, Mr. Gutbezahl, Ms. Warren, Ms. Hughes, Mr. Saxton, Ms. Ross, Ms. Trogolo, and Ms. Reck) voted in favor, and no members voted against or present. Ms. Sideman-Kurtz stated she would respond to the Discovery Museum's request and that Ms. Trogolo would follow-up with the Discovery Museum.

IV. Discussion of Future Meetings

Ms. Sideman-Kurtz initiated a discussion about whether to hold future Council meetings on consistent dates or to continue scheduling the dates based on availability of all members.

V. Expiring Terms

Ms. Sideman-Kurtz noted that the terms of multiple long-time Council members were expiring. Ms. Sideman-Kurtz thanked these members for their service and contribution. Mr. Saxton and Ms. Ross both expressed their thanks and farewell to members for their time on the Council.

Ms. Sideman-Kurtz stated that, with Mr. Saxton leaving the Council, the role of Treasurer will be vacant. Ms. Sideman-Kurtz asked if anyone was interested in filling the position, and it was agreed to table this discussion for future meetings. Ms. Sideman-Kurtz also noted that some new members should be joining the Council in the near future.

VI. Community Survey

The Council initiated a discussion of conducting the community survey. Council members agreed, in light of COVID-19, to push further discussion until a later meeting.

VII. Logo

Ms. Trogolo provided background about prior discussions of the Council obtaining a new logo. Mr. Saxton displayed the two possible logos. Members discussed their preferences for a particular logo. The Council then conducted a roll-call vote. Ms. Trogolo and Ms. Sideman-Kurtz voted for the first option. Mr. Gutbezahl, Ms. Warren, Mr. Saxton, Ms. Reck, Ms. Hughes, Ms. Holtz, and Ms. Ross voted for the second option. The second option (i.e., the logo with the circle) was approved for future use by the Council.