Town of Ridgefield- Ridgefield Arts Council Meeting December 4, 2024 at 7:00 PM

<u>In-Person Attendees:</u> Town Hall Small Conference Room 400 Main Street, Ridgefield, Connecticut <u>Those Attending Virtually:</u> <u>https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3625596884?omn=84770649006</u> Meeting ID: 362 559 6884 One tap mobile • +1 929 205 6099 US (New York) Find your local number: https://us02web.zoom.us/u/kdshP7aqyl

Minutes taken by Danielle Roth

Present (in-person): Tracey Bryggman, Amy Casey (left at 8:08pm), Joe Collin, Jennifer Dineen, Joshua Fischer, Pamme Jones (arrived 7:05pm), Mike McNamara (arrived at 7:05pm), Danielle Roth

Present (virtually): Amy Casey, Colleen Cash, Raje Kaur

Excused: Nick Catino

MEETING TO ORDER

Joe made a motion to call the meeting to order. Tracey seconded. The meeting was called to order at 7:04pm.

MINUTES

• Mike made a motion to approve the November 2024 Meeting Minutes. Colleen seconded. Tracey abstained. All else approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT

- Two outstanding invoices for MMD have now cleared the account.
- Roughly 30% of this year's budget has been utilized.

Old Business

BTS Continued Brainstorm

• The council spoke about increasing visibility for the event by including social media posts about honorees in the weeks leading up to the event.

- The council discussed inviting musician(s) to perform as well as some visual artists.
- In an effort to expand the event offerings and number of guests in attendance, the council plans to explore potential venue options that would allow for this expansion in the month of May or June.

Banners

- The council was briefed on some of the challenges regarding banner requests, slot availability, and guidelines.
- The council brainstormed a path forward in regards to current requests and will respond accordingly.

Group Updates as needed

Arts Column

- Due to changes in personal schedules, there will be a reorganizing of the ArtsWatch Column responsibilities in the coming months.
- The December column has been submitted and will be printed.

EDR

• Next EDR is this Friday, 12/6 at 9am at the Guild of Artists.

New Business

RAC Scholarship Next Steps

• In the new year, the council intends to promote the scholarship with the hope of increasing visibility and submissions. Council members are encouraged to come to the January meeting with ideas to help create more buzz around the scholarship.

Budget Request

- The council reviewed and discussed the proposed budget request and letter.
- Raje made a motion to approve the final budget letter request. Tracey seconded. All else approved.

ADJOURNMENT

• The meeting was adjourned at 8:14pm following a motion made by Dani and seconded by Mike. All approved.

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The next meeting will be 1/8/2025 at 7pm.