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Town of Ridgefield- Ridgefield Arts Council Meeting

July 8, 2026 at 7:15 PM

In-Person Attendees:

**Town Hall Small Conference Room
400 Main Street, Ridgefield, Connecticut**

Those Attending Virtually:

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Minutes taken by Tracey Bryggman

Present (in-person): Tracey Bryggman, Colleen Cash, Joe Collin, Pamme Jones

Present (virtually): Anna Ciamporcero

Excused: Jennifer Dineen, Danielle Roth, Raje Kaur

Guests: N/A

MEETING TO ORDER

Tracey made a motion to call the meeting to order. Pamme seconded. The meeting was called to order at 7:23pm.

MINUTES

- Pamme made a motion to approve the June 2026 Meeting Minutes. Joe seconded. All else approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT

- Behind the Scenes expenses have been submitted.
- P&Z expenses for MMD will be submitted this month by July 29th
- RAC's 26-27 FY Budget was approved. Flat Budget.

Old Business

Make Music Day Recap

- Wonderfully successful day led by Jennifer Dineen

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- The fact that it was on a weekend and great weather contributed to the success of the day.
- Focused marketing and many returning musicians drew people to the event
- Ballard Park bands had their own followings that contributed to large crowds
- Good support from RAC members in both planning and ‘day of’ responsibilities
- Will have planning meeting for next year in the next few months

Group Updates as needed

EADR

- Held June 12 at A.C.T. of CT. Good attendance from many orgs. Shortened meeting and then many went to the service for Barbara Manners husband.
- Next EADR is in September at Weir Farm.

CULTURAL DISTRICT WORKING GROUP

- CT Office of the Arts has chosen two Cultural Districts (Ridgefield and Bristol) to participate in the ASCEND Program, providing one year of consultation to support strategy and development of the cultural district.

New Business

Google Drive Storage

- Council briefly discussed the possibility of allocating funds towards expanding our google drive storage. The council will research options and vote on this at the next meeting.

Recruitment

- Council discussed recruitment of new members. Outreach will begin to promote membership on RAC and other town councils
- Council discussed mobilizing a volunteer sub committee program for RAC events like Make Music Day. Next steps are to aggregate opportunities for the year and disseminate that information with the goal of building a pool of volunteers.

Member Updates

- Nicholas Catino and Renee Brown-Cheng have resigned from the RAC.
- Pending approval by the ECDC and the Board of Selectpersons, Pamme Jones will be appointed to fill a vacancy on the ECDC. Upon confirmation of her appointment, she will resign from her position on the Ridgefield Arts Council.

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- Chair will circulate to the Council the political balance of remaining members for reference.

ADJOURNMENT

- The meeting was adjourned at 8:01pm following a motion made by Anna and seconded by Tracey. All approved.

The next meeting will be 8/5/2026 at 7:15pm.