



FREETOWN CULTURAL COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Cultural Council meeting 9.28.21

Meeting held at Freetown Town Hall, 3 North Main Street, Freetown, MA

4:15PM Meeting called to order by Mike McCue, Co-Chair
Members present: Mike McCue, Cheryl Estrella,
Nicole Davignon, Steven Chandler
Members virtually : Jay and Abby Michaels
Meeting being recorded by Steven Chandler

Halloween

- Due to the success of last year's Halloween drive-up event, it will be repeated this year.
 - The drive-thru candy giveaway will take place on 10.31.21 at the Freetown Elementary School (FES) 4-6p.m. No rain date. This date and time were chosen so that kiddos can have this event has part of their Halloween day experience.
 - Cheryl will reach out to FES for permission to hold event.
 - Candy has been donated by Stop & Shop. Non-candy items and bags will be purchased by members.
 - Candy and non-candy goodie bags would be assembled by Freetown Cultural Council (FCC) members and volunteers on 10.25.21 at the Freetown Fire Station 3.
 - This year there will be no pre-registration; there will announcements and postings.
 - Chandler will create the flyer to be posted around town and posted on social media.
 - Create Facebook page for Freetown Cultural Council

Membership/Volunteers

- Having just 7 members currently, and 8 positions available to fill, the FCC would like to invite members of the community to send a letter of interest and be considered to sit on the Board. We are also looking for more volunteers to help with events.
- Mike suggested reaching out to Council On Aging. Chandler will reach out to Barbara Place.
- Cheryl suggested posting on website and Freetowners Facebook page.
- Mike will be creating a flyer listing all available committee openings and he will include FCC. This flyer will be handed out at the Fall Special Town Meeting on 10.18.21.

Next Meeting

- The next meeting will be to discuss Christmas holiday activities. Meeting will be held on 10.26.21 at 4:15p.m.

Other business:

Tree for Christmas Tree Lighting

- John Ashley has said he will donate a live tree to be planted at the Village Bandstand. Chandler sent a letter to the Board of Selectmen requesting permission to have the tree planted and they have approved the request.
 - Mike McCue will reach out to John Ashley to schedule a date to go pick tree and will coordinate with the Freetown Highway Department to have it picked up and delivered to the Bandstand.
 - Tree should be planted before frost.

Grants

- Chandler has reported that to date, six of the fourteen grant recipients have sent fund reimbursement documents.
- One grant recipient has asked if the grant funds from 2020 and 2021 for their Covid delayed program may be combined and used for their program in 2022. Chandler will contact Mass Cultural Council.

Discuss at next meeting

- Halloween event update
- Plan Christmas event in Assonet Village and possible decorating in East Freetown
- Tree planting
- Grants update
- Events for 2022

Cheryl makes motion to adjourn at 4:56p.m. Chandler 2nd. All in favor. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,



Steven Chandler, Secretary