

# **Albion Cultural Exchange Committee Meeting**

**Wednesday April 6, 2022 at 7pm**

**Attendees:** Chris, Donna, Doug, Tracy, AnnMarie, Kathy

- 1.) Review and Approval of previous meeting minutes
  - Meeting minutes approved
- 2.) Building and Maintenance
  - Bathroom Furniture Installed
  - New Benches & Ottoman Bench Installed
  - KMA Associates proposal signed by Town Admin and moved forward to vendor.
    - Discussion on next steps, costs, and funding.
    - Proposal is moving forward, meeting next week for person to on-site eval. Funding is available.
  - Rear Visualization pending. A key factor is what will be happening with the Bank building in the future.
  - Snack/Beverage service location – idea to alter the windows in storage room. Starting to explore options and future direction. Could help with funding operating budget for the building.
  - Ideas around PA systems, a stage. Some preliminary conversations. Ballpark initial suggestions 10k could get this started.
- 3.) Ongoing Events Review –
  - Art & Edibles Event - Successful opening and event attendance
- 4.) Promotion
  - Show Press Releases,
  - Kate Garabedian podcast episode pending
  - Meetings with J. Lewis, D, Wong pending about future potential funding.
- 5.) Gifts\Donations
  - Wakefield Co – Op Bank donation: \$1,350 in honor of their upcoming anniversary; will be provided in installments over the coming year.
  - Future Sound System spec'd by Onset -seeking donations
  - Conversations with the Savings Bank 2022 Sponsorship
- 6.) Operations Guideline Draft – Proposed Next subcommittee meeting April 10th – 10am at the building.
- 7.) Future Events Review –
  - Acapella – targeted for later in spring
  - Highschool Art program based events – targeting May time AP and JV programs
  - ACW – Oct show – Critters and Creatures art show
  - Ongoing conversations for other ideas
    - Improv Concept - Big Attitude, a recurring improv and art comedy variety show
    - Potential – Black & White Plus One – show – ongoing discussions
  - Bring the Good 2023
- 8.) Artist Challenge Contest
  - Images of our building with prize money?
  - Soliciting ideas
- 10.) Un-anticipated topics
  - Email address tracking for the ACE was discussed
  - Could the town provide a small operating budget for ACE? Discussion around the idea and pro/con's and other options for generating income.
- 11.) Adjournment