## New Marlborough Cultural Council Meeting 9/14/23

A meeting of the New Marlborough Cultural Council was called to order at 4:15 pm at the New Marlborough Public Library. Co-Chair Louise Yohalem led the meeting. Present were Co-Chair Wendy Miller, Treasurer Eugene Cleary, Secretary Marjorie Shapiro, Linda Fass, Klea Simakis, Kathy Potoski, Didi Sinclair, and guest Holly Valente.

Eugene gave the Treasurer's report which was approved. Our last fundraiser brought in \$8,503. We earned \$1800 from the white elephant sale, although Eugene had to use some of that to pay entertainers, as the \$900 he had withdrawn did not cover the total expense.

The minutes from August 10<sup>th</sup> and August 24<sup>th</sup> were approved.

There ensued a discussion of Burritt Day. Holly said that she thanked Meredith Platt for her cooperation with parking. Louise made a motion to thank Anda Bigham Hutchins for use of the parking lot. It was decided to include another row of parking next year.

Holly suggested that we purchase two sound systems, a small one for \$179.00 and a larger one for \$595.00. The smaller version would be used for the car show and the larger for the Village Green. No action was taken at this time.

Holly suggested that we map out the green and do something to smooth out the area.

Next on the agenda was awarding the Covid Recovery Grants to the three applicants. The Council will award \$2,000 to the Meeting House, \$750.00 to Tes Reed and \$500 to Steve Butler which will leave \$3100 in our account.

There was discussion of a November 4<sup>th</sup> potluck supper to be held at the Meeting House.

Louise reminded us that the November meeting will take place in Town Hall at which time we will award all or part of the \$1500 set aside for this year's grants.

Kathy Potoski announced that she is resigning from Cultural Council. The members all told Kathy how much we appreciated her service over the years.

The meeting adjourned at 5:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Maynue Akapuro
Mariorie Shapiro