

CARLISLE CULTURAL COUNCIL Minutes

March 16, 2023, via Zoom

7:30 PM

Attending: Jenn Albanese, Debbie Bentley, Alain Bojarski, Preston Holleman, Dan Lennon, Mark Levitan, Ann Quenin

Approved on 4/14/23

1. Call to Order by Mark at 7:34 PM
2. Approval of Minutes
 - A. Minutes from 2/16/23 to be approved at 4/14/23 meeting
3. Old Business
 - A. Winter ARPA Grant Round (ARPA Funded)
 - Mark provided an overview of ARPA funds available to the Council for different uses. ARPA Supplemental Grant Round funds include \$5,000 for 2023 Winter round and \$5,000 for 2024 Winter round. There is \$16,888 available in the ARPA Block Grant account. Mark proposed a plan to allocate the remaining Block Grant funds in 2023 and 2024.
 - Preston moved that \$5,500 ARPA funds in the Block Grant account be awarded to the Old Home Day Committee in both 2023 and 2024 to support the Carlisle Music Festival; Jenn seconded. Roll call vote: Jenn Albanese (aye); Debbie Bentley (aye); Alain Bojarski (aye); Preston Holleman (aye); Dan Lennon (aye); Mark Levitan (aye); Ann Quenin (aye); Motion approved 7-0-0
 - Preston moved to use up to \$1,200 from the ARPA Block Grant to supplement the Winter 2023 grant round; Dan seconded. Roll call vote: Jenn Albanese (aye); Debbie Bentley (aye); Alain Bojarski (aye); Preston Holleman (aye); Dan Lennon (aye); Mark Levitan (aye); Ann Quenin (aye); Motion approved 7-0-0
 - Council members reviewed and discussed applications received for the 2023 Winter round.
 - Council members shared their scores for each proposal, using score sheet criteria
 - Scores were tabulated to determine which proposals best met the criteria and grant award amounts were assigned to proposals that were eligible for award, based on the criteria
 - Preston moved to accept the ARPA funded Winter 2023 proposals and award assignments as shown on the scoring spreadsheet; Debbie seconded. Roll call vote: Jenn Albanese (aye); Debbie Bentley (aye); Alain Bojarski (aye); Preston Holleman (aye); Dan Lennon (aye); Mark Levitan (aye); Ann Quenin (aye); Motion approved 7-0-0
 - B. Council Fundraising
 - Town-wide postcard to go out end of March
 - Preston moved to spend up to \$800 on printing and mailing of the postcard; Dan seconded. Roll call vote: Jenn Albanese (aye); Debbie Bentley (aye); Alain Bojarski (aye); Preston Holleman (aye); Dan Lennon (aye); Mark Levitan (aye); Ann Quenin (aye); Motion approved 7-0-0

- C. Community Survey
- D. Old Home Day 2023 – planning for the Music Festival continues
- E. Treasurer Search – not discussed
- F. Route to Sustainability Day
 - Council members to take shifts at table
 - Jenn and Mark to review materials
- G. Freedom’s Way Hidden Treasures event – not discussed
- H. Annual Report – submitted on March 10; not discussed
- 4. New Business
- 5. Treasurer Report
- 6. Next meeting: 4/14/23 at 8:30 AM
- 7. Adjournment - Debbie moved to adjourn at 9:06, Jenn seconded, and all agreed.

Submitted by Jenn Albanese, Clerk

ARPA23 Carlisle Cultural Council		Review Worksheet													
ID	Program	Applicant	Submitted By	email	Type	Date	Location	Ask \$	ARPA \$k Award	ARPA Block \$	Total Fund	Total %	Score Rank	Score	
A23-08	"Stories of US"	Carlisle PTO Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Community Advisory Council	Rachel Gore Freed	rachel.gore@gmail.com	Multidisciplinary	Apr, Jun, Sep	Concord Library	\$ 1,000	\$1,000		\$1,000	100%	5	4.46	
A23-07	Carlisle Oral History Project	Carlisle Communications Inc	Helen Lyons	helenlyons@comcast.net	History	multiple	Carlisle Mosquito	\$ 910	\$900		\$900	99%	2	4.53	
A23-05	Native American history	Carlisle PTO	Deepa Chungi	carlisleptopresident@gmail.com	History	23-24 acad yr	CPS	\$ 800	\$800		\$800	100%	3	4.52	
A23-01	Quarterly Art Exhibitions	Gleason Public Library	Emily Stewart	embstew@gmail.com	Arts	4x	GPL	\$ 500	\$500		\$500	100%	7	4.18	
A23-04	Native plants for your landscape workshop	Friends of Center Park	Alison Saylor	saylorfarm@comcast.net	Science/Nature	4/22/23	Center Park	\$ 500	\$500		\$500	100%	8	4.15	
A23-14	Choosing and Planting Native Plants to Attract Humans and Pollinators	Carlisle Garden Club	Alison Saylor	saylorfarm@comcast.net	Science/Nature	6/9 and 6/12	6/9@ Town Common, 6/12 @Center Park	\$ 1,000	\$500		\$500	50%	10	3.87	
A23-13	Felted Rainbow Patches	Gleason Public Library	Tahleen Shamlan	tshamlan@gleasonlibrary.org	Arts	Jun-23	GPL	\$ 425	\$425		\$425	100%	4	4.49	
A23-03	Old Home Day Cake and Pie Decorating	Old Home Day	Niles Cocanour	niles.cocanour@gmail.com	Arts	6/24/23	CPS	\$ 850	\$375		\$375	44%	9	3.96	
A23-09	SLOC Old Time Radio Show	Savoyard Light Opera Company	Jenn Albanese	jenndalbanese@gmail.com	Music Theatre/Histo	6/3/23	First Parish of Stow/Acton	\$ 1,000	\$0	\$500	\$500	50%	11	2.96	
A23-06	Balancing kitchen gardening with outdoor pollinators	Carlisle Farmer's Market	Nicole White	nwhite30@comcast.net	Multidisciplinary	7/8/23	Farmers Market	\$ 350		\$350	\$350	100%	6	4.39	
A23-12	Carlisle Poetry Festival and Poetry Contest	Friends of Gleason Public Library	Hope Lozano-Bielat	hope.bielat@gmail.com	Humanities	5/13/2023	Hollis Room, GPL	\$ 285		\$285	\$285	100%	1	4.70	
A23-02	Spring Concert	Soundbites	Aaron Goodisman	aarongoodisman@gmail.com	Music	"June"	Lexington -First Parish Church	\$ 500	\$0		\$0	0%	12	2.82	
A23-10	Folk Music Circle/Guitar lessons	First Religious Society	Pam Howell	drepamhowell@gmail.com	Music	(5/4, 5/11, 5/18, 6/1)	First Religious Society	\$ 350	\$0		\$0	0%	13	2.21	
A23-11	Wisdom Stories from the Wider World and Crafts	First Religious Society	Pam Howell	drepamhowell@gmail.com	Multidisciplinary	9/7; 9/14; 9/21; 9/28	First Religious Society	\$ 350	\$0		\$0	0%	14	2.21	
								\$ 8,820	\$ 5,000	\$ 1,135	\$6,135		Awarded		
									\$ 5,000				ARPA \$ Available		
									\$ -				Remain		

Grantees receiving ARPA funds

Program	Applicant	Applicant City	Ask \$	MCC Award	ARPA Supp	Total Fund
The Pirates of Penzance	The Savoyard Light Opera Company, Inc.	Carlisle	\$ 500	\$200	\$300	\$500
Winter Concert featuring George Lopez, pianist	Carlisle Chamber Orchestra	Carlisle	\$ 600	\$375	\$225	\$600
Route to Sustainability for Earth Day 2023 - Festival focused on the Environment	Carlisle Environmental Sustainability Committee	Carlisle	\$ 600	\$400	\$200	\$600
Carlisle Old Home Day	Carlisle Old Home Day Association, Inc.	Carlisle	\$ 500	\$300	\$200	\$500
Carlisle Community Chorus Concerts	Carlisle Community Chorus	Carlisle	\$ 500	\$300	\$200	\$500
Preservation of antique and other historically significant Carlisle homes	The Carlisle Historical Society, Inc.	Carlisle	\$ 500	\$300	\$200	\$500
Outdoor Benching for Woodland Gardens	Friends of Center Park, Inc.	Carlisle	\$ 500	\$300	\$200	\$500
Chain Reactions: Make a Rube Goldberg Machine	Gleason Public Library	Carlisle	\$ 600	\$500	\$100	\$600
Adding Color to our Shared Culture	Carlisle Communications, Inc.	Carlisle	\$1,500	\$400	\$100	\$500

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	STATE MONEY					LOCAL REV.	ARPA 55801 (\$50k)	
	Event date	Grant amount	Claim date	Claim amount	G&A		Grant amount	Claim amount
Balance February 27, 2023				\$6,400.00	\$199.82	\$4,539.80		\$27,565.00
Unclaimed Grants								
Old Home Day – Revenue Shortfall Assistance (claimed 1/16/23)							\$10,677	\$9,464.14
FY23 Grants								
26578 -Gleason Library: Chain Reactions: Make a Rube Goldberg Machine	04/20/23	\$500					\$100	
27713 -Friends of Center Park, Inc.: Outdoor Benching for Woodland Gardens	04/01/23	\$300					\$200	
28072 -Bentley, Deborah: Carlisle Poppy Project 2023	05/15/23	\$275						
29049 -Carlisle Chamber Orchestra: Winter Concert featuring George Lopez, pianist	03/10/23	\$375					\$225	
34539 -Carlisle Communications, Inc.: Adding Color to our Shared Culture	all year	\$400					\$100	
34571 -Discovery Museum, Inc.: Open Door Connections	all year	\$200						
35491 -Virginia Thurston Healing Garden, Inc.: Visual Arts Therapy	all year	\$300						
36591 -The Concord Women's Chorus, Inc.: Grown Wild	10/23/22	\$350						
37005 -The Concord Orchestra, Inc.: 2022-2023 Season and Music Director Search	05/21/23	\$300						
37443 -The Carlisle Historical Society, Inc.: Preservation of antique and other historically significant Carlisle homes	11/02/23	\$300					\$200	
37851 -Parisi, Rita: I am Zelda: one act play about Mrs. F. Scott Fitzgerald	05/18/23	\$500						
39206 -Carlisle Community Chorus: Carlisle Community Chorus Concerts	05/23	\$300					\$200	
40424 -The Carlisle Garden Club: 2023 Seed Swap and Share for Sustainability	04/22/23	\$300						
40806 -Carlisle Old Home Day Association, Inc.: Carlisle Old Home Day	06/23	\$300					\$200	
42312 -The Savoyard Light Opera Company, Inc.: The Pirates of Penzance	11/19/22	\$200	02/23/23	\$200.00			\$300	\$300.00
45178 -Carlisle Environmental Sustainability Committee: Route to Sustainability for Earth Day 2023 - Festival focused on the Environment	04/22/23	\$400					\$200	
Carlisle Cultural Council Own Project		\$1,100						
Local Council Income and Expenses								
Total as of March 12, 2023		\$6,400		\$200			\$12,402	\$9,764.14
Account Balances				\$6,200.00	\$199.82	\$4,539.80		\$17,800.86

BALANCES ARPA FUNDS GRANTED TO CULTURAL COUNCIL AS OF January 24, 2023

Carlisle Music Showcase – 2022 OHD	\$5,000	\$0
Cultural Grant Program	\$10,000	\$10,000
CCC Grant	\$50,000	\$17,801