

## Northampton Arts Council

14 March 2023

### Meeting was remotely held on Zoom

**Present:** Brian Foote, Garrett Williams, Danielle Amodeo, Jo Ella Tarbutton-Springfield (Jada), Ana Polesny, Kaye Carroll, Thulani Davis, Jesse Hassinger, Mi Belitsky, Alyona Skripka, Eamonn Edge, Pete Olsen

**Regrets:** Dana Osterling

### Municipal Meeting for the month of March

The meeting was called to order at ~7:04 pm.

Approved mural on the parking garage: Sharon Leshner proposed a community-generated mural on the side of the parking garage. The image was shared with the council, the council provided feedback. After discussion, a motion was made to approve the mural. The council voted unanimously in favor of the mural.

Approved grant modification request from the applicant: The Western Mass Math Partnership requested to modify the grant they were awarded in October 2021. Due to the delay in receiving word about their grant award and the time constraints of their original project they asked permission to fund another project with a similar intersection of art and math. The Council was provided with the [request](#). After discussion, a motion was made to approve the request. The council voted unanimously in favor of the grant modification.

Approved donation amount to Northampton PTO's: The council discussed the overview of the finances of the annual Performance concert at Pines Theater. After discussion, a motion was made by Jesse to donate \$6,244.20 to the PTO's of six of the public schools who participated in Performance in August of 2022. The motion was seconded by Jada and passed unanimously.

ArtsEZ allocation amount - ArtsEZ is a grant that is offered to individual artists, arts organizations, and schools to fund arts events in Northampton, Florence, and Leeds. This agenda item was not discussed at the meeting.

Approved biennial apology text - a draft of the biennial apology that was started in October 2021 was submitted for consideration and approval. After discussion, a motion was made by Jada to approve the biennial apology text. The motion was seconded by Jesse and passed unanimously.

The meeting concluded at ~ 9:32 pm.

Jesse Hassinger, Clerk