

HYDE PARK
VT Arts Council Grant
Steering Committee
Virtual meeting
MEETING MINUTES
May 4, 2021

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Members Present: None
Members Virtual: Susan Bartlett; Amy Olsen, Director Lanpher Memorial Library
Members Absent: Jim Rose; Cindy Locke; Lisa Dimondstein; Elyzabeth Holford; Greg Paus; Callie Hastings, HPES art; Diane Reilly, Principal HPES.
Others Virtual: Ron Rodjenski, Town Administrator; Michele Bailey, VT Arts Council
Guests: GMAVT did videotape this meeting

Susan opened the meeting at 5:01 p.m.

1. **Welcome.** No changes to the agenda.
2. **Contract for Services with Dan Gottsegen.** Ron noted that prior to this meeting, Greg and Lisa reported that they are supportive of the draft going to Dan. The specific tasks to be accomplished to achieve community engagement will need to be discussed during the project with Dan. It was agreed to use the extended grant period provided the Vermont Arts Council in the draft going to Dan. Michele suggested that the committee should provide Dan with diverse community engagement contacts early in his research for this project. Susan will reach out to the Sterling View Cooperative Community, Paul Nesky. Ron noted that Mark Fitzgerald, from the VTrans Rail Division, is monitoring this project and will provide comment during the design phase for incorporation into the design phase because the early concepts from Dan were located within the rail corridor. Amy noted that the community is excited to be looking forward to more community events like last weekend's Green Up Day and projects like this. Michele noted that she is working with VTrans on the review of similar art installation projects in state highway right-of-way and state rail corridors. Michele stated that VTrans is supportive of projects, but they do want to be kept informed as projects are developed so all design parameters and limitations can be incorporated into the design work. Michele noted that funding for the Better Places "placemaking" program using "quick build" projects under the Agency of Commerce and Community Development is moving through the legislature and a final decision on the program's funding for next year is due soon.
3. **Next Steps.** Dan will receive the draft contract and provide any edits to Susan, and if minor, Ron and Susan will proceed to have the contract amended and signed. If substantial changes are needed, then the Contract would return to the committee and Selectboard for review.
4. **Adjourn 5:18 pm**