



# Town of Bridgewater Cultural Council

November 5, 2025

6:30 PM

Join Zoom Meeting

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Meeting ID: 849 3574 6939

## MEETING AGENDA

**Disclosure:** Pursuant to Section 20 of Chapter 20 of the Acts of 2020, An Act Relative to Extending Certain Covid-19 Measures Adopted During the State of Emergency, and the June 30, 2027, extension granted by Chapter 22 of the Acts of 2022, this meeting for the Town of Bridgewater will be fully remote and accessible to the public through remote participation to the greatest extent possible. No in-person attendance is permitted. Citizens who wish to tune in to the meeting may do so via Zoom.

- A. Call to Order**
- B. Approval of Meeting Minutes**
  - a) October 8th, 2025
- C. Public Comment**
- D. New Business**
  - a) New Member Introduction — Jane Merrick
  - b) James Dolan Grant - Discuss Re-appropriation of Grant Funding
  - c) Discuss FY26 Grant Funding Proposals
  - d) New Treasurer Election
- E. Old Business**
- F. Additional Items for Discussion**
- G. Adjournment of Meeting**

The Bridgewater Cultural Council October 8, 2025 meeting was called to order by President Theo Simeoni at 6:09pm. In attendance were President Theo Simeoni, Hayley Bacewicz and Joyce Pitta. Joyce Pitta, Secretary read the minutes from the September 23, 2025 meeting. President Simeoni moved that the minutes be approved and was seconded by Hayley Bacewicz.

President Simeoni asked Joyce Pitta to discuss her questions on the grant application from the Bristol Plymouth High School. Joyce Pitta said she had sent an email to the contact at B/P regarding the fees to be charged to the public for their spring show and also asked why no other cultural councils had been contacted for grants. In an email response the fee schedule was listed and that Bridgewater was the first application completed but all the other towns also received applications.

A discussion was held on the Halloween decoration contest. The Mass Cultural Council approved giving prize money but said to give out gift cards so we would have a paper trail. First it was discussed giving out 3 \$50.00 gift cards. President Simeoni suggested giving every participant gift cards. Joyce Pitta asked if we knew how many businesses were willing to participate. After a brief discussion it was decided to wait until next year, since we are so close to Halloween and does not allow much time for decorations to be put up. President Simeoni moved that we table the Halloween decorations to next year, seconded by Joyce Pitta and a yes vote from Hayley Bacewicz.

Hayley Bacewicz, treasurer has checked her information on the MCC and all is correct. President Simeoni will forward to Hayley Bacewicz an email he received from MCC on treasury items that need to be completed.

Joyce Pitta asked about the yes, no or maybe or numbering system to be used to evaluate grant applications. It was decided to wait until our next meeting.

After setting our next meeting for October 14, 2025, President Simeoni moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Joyce Pitta the meeting was adjourned at 6:30

Respectfully submitted,

Joyce Pitta, Secretary