

## Rowe Cultural Council Meeting

Date: 11.26.25      Time: 10:30 am      Location: Rowe Town Hall

In attendance: Jane Kaufman, Susan Tomlinson, Felicity Pickett, Thom Choafolo, Cait Semanie, Bobbi Gottesman

1. Approve [minutes from last meeting](#) - Jane made a motion to approve minutes, Bobbi seconded. motion passed.
2. Rowe Historical Society extension : Neighbors and Members of The Rowe Local Cultural Council, You graciously granted The Historical Society \$500 for the cultural performance provided at the Kemp-McCarthy Museum featuring the Hilltown Hamhocks on September 28. The Honorarium was \$400 for 4 musicians. We did not spend the expected \$100 for publication. It was pleasantly covered by donation. Next year we have three events to be funded. We have applied for grants which we limited in the hopes of a favorable grant result. However, we really need the unspent \$100 from last year to fully fund the events for next year. Therefore, we are requesting that the unspent \$100 be carried over into 2026. Thank you for your consideration. Sincerely, Wayne Zavotka, President Rowe Historical Society
  - a. Felicity made motion to approve. Thom seconded, motion passed
3. Finish awarding grants - Jane made a motion to accept slate. Felicity seconded. Motion passed.
4. Felicity suggested we contact the town to ask for more money (money that had been previously earmarked for Old Home Day) to award to community events. The committee agrees. Felicity will follow up with town.
5. Next steps:
  - a. Jane will send out denial letters immediately, and approval letters next month.
  - b. Jane will add a request to approval letters asking for flyers from grantees.
  - c. Committee will be more pro-active in marketing events we have funded. Cait will lead the effort, asking for support as needed.

- d. Next meeting June - review priorities, recruit new members, gear up for next funding cycle, contact Heath CC about article in West County Shopper. Jane will send email in May to set up a date for our next meeting..
6. Jane made a motion to adjourn meeting. Cait seconded. Motion passed.