Warner Fall Foliage Festival Bylaws Amendment Notice:

The following amendment will be presented for a vote on **June 11**th **at 7:00pm** at the next meeting of the Warner Fall Foliage Festival board of directors, in the conference room at Sugar River Bank. If you have feedback regarding this amendment, please contact a board member, email **secretary@wfff.org**, or attend the June 11th board meeting where the amendment will be reviewed and finalized by vote. Board meeting dates are posted to the web site and town calendar.

Intent and details of the proposed amendment:

Allow the Board of Directors to award small grants up to \$1000 outside of the annual meeting grant review cycle to one or more organizations if the Festival has excess funds available. The intent is to provide community support in cases where Festival funds are in good standing, an organization needs limited funds outside of the normal grant cycle, and granting these funds will not inhibit the ongoing function and viability of the Festival. All Festival grants will be publicly posted.

The following (Section 4) will be added to Article VIII General section of the bylaws:

ARTICLE VIII – GENERAL

Section 4.

The Board of Directors shall have the power to award small grants not exceeding \$1,000.00 per individual organization and \$5,000.00 in total grants per calendar year pending the availability of funding. The board shall establish funding criteria to include but not be limited to the requesting organizations' support of the festival. The awarding of small grants shall be publicly posted.

The full Article with the amendment will read as follows:

ARTICLE VIII – GENERAL

Section 1.

The Board of Directors shall have the power to make any purchases for equipment not exceeding \$2,500.00 total. Expenditures exceeding that amount must be authorized by the membership at a public meeting.

Section 2.

There shall be a \$200.00 minimum set aside for current expenses, and \$2,500.00 minimum maintained as an emergency reserve fund.

Section 3.

No part of the activities or funds of this Corporation shall be devoted to the carrying on of propaganda or otherwise attempting to influence legislation.

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Bylaws were last amended in January 2017. All bylaws can be found at http://wfff.org/festival-by-laws.