

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE ARTS AND CULTURE BOARD
HICKORY CREEK TOWN HALL
1075 RONALD REAGAN, HICKORY CREEK, TEXAS
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 15, 2026**

MINUTES

Call to Order

Vice Chairperson Stone called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.

Roll Call

PRESENT

Vice Chairperson Melissa Stone
Member Lisa Reynolds
Member Chandra Govite
Member Brandie Bollack

ABSENT

Chairperson Lee Kessee
Member Mary Alsmiller
Member Suzanne Ortolano
Member Tony Tolbert

Also in Attendance:

John Smith, Town Manager
Ian Theodore, Council Liaison

Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. And Texas Flags

Vice Chairperson Stone led the Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. and Texas Flags.

Invocation

Member Reynolds gave the invocation.

Items of Community Interest

Pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.0415 the Arts and Culture Board may report on the following: expressions of thanks, congratulations, or condolence; an honorary or salutary recognition of an individual; a reminder about an upcoming event organized or sponsored by the governing body; and announcements involving an imminent threat to the public health and safety of people in the municipality or county that has arisen after the posting of the agenda.

Town Manager, John Smith shared upcoming community events, including the grand opening of the dog park on April 20 at 6:30 p.m., and a groundbreaking ceremony for the leisure center on April 20 at 10:00 a.m. The Town Manager also announced a ribbon cutting ceremony for the new food truck park on May 2 at 10:00 a.m., as well as the anticipated grand opening for the Observatory in June.

Public Comment

This item allows the public an opportunity to address the Arts and Culture Board on both agenda and non-agenda items. To comply with the provisions of the Open Meetings Act, the board cannot discuss or take action on items brought before them not posted on the agenda. Please complete a request if you wish to address the board. Comments will be limited to three minutes total for any and all items being presented. Public comment is for information only. No charges and/or complaints will be heard against any elected official, board member, the Town, or employee of the Town that are prohibited by law.

There were no speakers for public comment.

Consent Agenda

Items on the Consent Agenda are considered to be self-explanatory and will be enacted with one motion. No separate discussion of these items will occur unless so requested by at least one member of the Arts and Culture Board.

1. February 2026 Arts and Culture Meeting Minutes

Motion made by Member Govite to approve the February 2026 Arts and Culture Meeting Minutes, Seconded by Member Reynolds.

Voting Yea: Member Reynolds, Member Govite, Vice Chairperson Stone, Member Bollack. Motion passed unanimously.

Regular Agenda

2. Consider and act on events hosted by Arts and Culture Board for 2026 and 2027.

No action taken.

3. Consider and act on the appointment of a Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson.

Motion made by Vice Chairperson Stone to appoint Chairperson and Vice Chairperson, Seconded by Member Bollack.

Voting Yea: Member Reynolds, Member Govite, Vice Chairperson Stone, Member Bollack. Motion passed unanimously.

Adjournment

Motion made by Member Reynolds to adjourn the meeting, Seconded by Member Govite. Voting Yea: Member Reynolds, Member Govite, Vice Chairperson Stone, Member Bollack. Motion passed unanimously.

The meeting did then stand adjourned at 7:02 p.m.

Approved:

Attest:

Melissa Stone, Vice Chairperson
Arts and Culture Board

Paige Duncan, Administrative Assistant
Town of Hickory Creek