

**SPECIAL MEETING OF THE ARTS AND CULTURE BOARD
HICKORY CREEK TOWN HALL
1075 RONALD REAGAN, HICKORY CREEK, TEXAS
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 13, 2025**

MINUTES

Call to Order

Chairperson Kessee called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

Roll Call

The following members were present:

Chairperson Lee Kessee

Vice Chairperson Melissa Stone

Member Suzanne Ortolano

Member Tony Tolbert

Member Chandra Govite

The following members were absent:

Member Mary Alsmiller

Member Lisa Reynolds

Also in attendance:

John Smith, Town Manager

Paige Duncan, Administrative Assistant

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

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

Invocation

Chairperson Kessee 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.

The annual tree lighting will be held Friday, December 5, 2025, from 6:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. at Town Hall.

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.

Regular Agenda

1. Discussion regarding a grand opening event for the amphitheater.

Discussion was held regarding a grand opening event for the amphitheater.

Adjournment

Motion made by Chairperson Kessee to adjourn the meeting, Seconded by Vice Chairperson Stone.

Voting Yea: Chairperson Kessee, Vice Chairperson Stone, Member Ortolano, Member Tolbert, Member Govite. Motion passed unanimously

The meeting did then stand adjourned at 7:08 p.m.

Approved:

Attest:

Lee Kessee, Chairperson
Arts and Culture Board

Paige Duncan, Administrative Assistant
Town of Hickory Creek