

City of Hendersonville Arts Council

101 Maple Drive North, Hendersonville, TN 37075

Meeting Minutes for January 8, 2026

Attendance

Members Present: René Shepherd, Cemile Logue, William Clifford, Phillip Fryman, Gene Hively

Others Present: Rachel Collins (Alderman Liason), Natasha Tice (City Staff Representative), (2) two members of the public observing

Absent: Nick Gamble

Call to Order

Time Called to Order: 6:32 PM

Acceptance of Agenda

Motion: Gene Hively

Second: Cemile Logue

Vote: Approved unanimously

Approval of Prior Minutes

Minutes from December 8, 2026 @ 6:30 PM

Motion: Cemile Logue

Second: Gene Hively

Vote: Approved unanimously

Public Comments

None

Action Items

None

Verbal Updates

1. History Wall

- Continue soliciting public content for wall
- René to reach out to Hendersonville Library
- Mayor has some old images and books that may have useful content

2. Arts Festival

- ~27 vendors so far ; good for current timeline and previous comparison
- Sponsorship - Continue to seek sponsors; send any outreach to Good Neighbor for follow-up
- Patron Program - This is a great option for small businesses and community members. Various levels of participation at lower contribution level (\$100, \$250, \$500) than sponsorship tiers and still get promotional benefit along with support. Share this information with the community. We hope to build this program and need to connect more with the program. Visit <https://hendersonvilleartsfestival.com/patrons> for more information.
- Marketing - Good Neighbor would like input on influencer marketing in community ; send additional info or recommendations to Tracie w GN. Discussed possible opportunities to speak to Chamber members for support (event speaking/participation and newsletter inclusion). Community sports league opportunities discussed for additional exposure for festival promotion.

3. Sculptures

- Rachel and William had a productive meeting with the City management team to discuss potential sculpture projects. The City expressed interest and preliminary support. Conversations will continue to explore opportunities for implementing public sculptures that enhance community arts, tourism, and overall quality of place.
- Arts Council should prepare general location options, timeline considerations, artist interests, possible estimates based on renderings. Discussion on site preparations and requirements for a project of this type took place. HAC will continue to gather information.

4. Film Festival

- No update

Adjournment

Motion: Phillip Fryman

Second: William Clifford

Vote: Approved unanimously

Time Adjourned: 7:34 PM



René Shepherd, Chair