

Town of Yountville

6550 Yount Street
Yountville, CA 94599



Meeting Minutes – Final

Monday, November 6, 2023

4:00 PM

Town Council Chambers

Yountville Arts Commission

Ronda Schaer, Chair
Cynthia Kapjian, Vice Chair
Noel Resnick, Commissioner
Judy Meredith, Commissioner
Geoffrey Leigh, Commissioner
PJ Hudson, Commissioner
Marita Dorenbecher, Commissioner

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1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Schaer called the meeting to order at approximately 4:00 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Present: 6 Chair Ronda Schaer, Vice Chair Cynthia Kapjian, Commissioner Geoffrey Leigh, Commissioner Judy Meredith, Commissioner PJ Hudson, Commissioner Marita Dorenbecher

Absent: 1 Commissioner Noel Resnick

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The pledge of allegiance was held.

4. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Chair Schaer informed item 9-A Poet Laureate Conversation Proposal would move to a future meeting.

A motion was made by Commissioner Leigh, seconded by Commissioner Dorenbecher to Adopt the Agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: 6; Chair Schaer, Vice Chair Kapjian, Commissioner Leigh, Commissioner Meredith, Commissioner Hudson, Commissioner Dorenbecher

NOES: 0

ABSTAIN: 0

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A Approve Minutes of the regular meeting held October 2, 2023 and November 6, 2023.

A motion was made by Commissioner Dorenbecher, seconded by Vice Chair Kapjian to Approve Minutes of the regular meeting held October 2, 2023. The motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: 5; Chair Schaer, Vice Chair Kapjian, Commissioner Meredith, Commissioner Hudson, Commissioner Dorenbecher

NOES: 0

ABSTAIN: 1 Commissioner Leigh

6. PUBLIC COMMENT ON MATTERS NOT LISTED ON THE AGENDA

None.

7. ART WALK SUBCOMMITTEE

General Updates

- Installed *Dropsy*
- Expect to install *Chrysalis* and *The Two of Us* mid November
- Friends of the Yountville Library acquisition of *Law Library* by Jack Chandler

A Consideration of Love Wine Too Sculpture by artist Richard Starks for placement on the Yountville Art Walk

Chair Schaer provided the Art Walk Subcommittee and sculpture staff report.

Public Comment – None

The Commission discussed and took the following action:

A motion was made by Commissioner Hudson, seconded by Commissioner Meredith to Approve Love Wine Too Sculpture for placement on the Yountville Art Walk. The motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: 6; Chair Schaer, Vice Chair Kapjian, Commissioner Leigh, Commissioner Meredith, Commissioner Hudson, Commissioner Dorenbecher

NOES: 0

ABSTAIN: 0

- B.** Veterans Memorial Park Pad Partnership with Veterans Home Concept Discussion (Brad Raulston, Town Manager)

Samantha Holland, Parks and Recreation Director, provided information on the concept art for the Veterans Memorial Park pad.

Chair Schaer shared having met with Town Manager Raulston where they briefly discussed placements on the art pads at Veterans Memorial Park and the potential of working with the Veterans Home to place art created at the Veterans Home.

8. GALLERY SUBCOMMITTEE

UPCOMING SHOWS

Paul Youngman 10/5 – 12/1/2023

Youth Exhibit 12/7/2023 – 1/5/2024

Heart of Friendship 1/18-3/29/2024

Pending Andrea Cazares 4/4 – 5/3/2024

Pending YASS Artist Chris Cammarata 5/9 – 8/2/2024

Frank Trozzo 8/8 – 9/27/24

Pamela Anderson 10/3-11/29/24

Youth Exhibit 12/5/2024 – 1/3/2025

Vice Chair Kapjian provided the Gallery Subcommittee report.

9. LITERARY SUBCOMMITTEE

General Updates

- Yountville Out Loud Recap
- Improv Sessions Update
- Handwritten Out Loud Recap
- The Bookmark Stories Contest Update
- Prosestry Class Update
- Sideways Update

- A.** Poet Laureate Conversation Proposal

The item has been postponed to a future Yountville Arts Commission meeting to be determined.

10. MARKETING AND PR SUBCOMMITTEE

Commissioner Dorenbecher provided the Marketing and PR Subcommittee update. Commissioner

Resnick also provided the following information: Art Walk – Visit Napa Valley e-mail blast – The Ultimate Guide to Yountville | A Three-Day Itinerary (See Day

1) https://www.visitnapavalley.com/blog/post/the-ultimate-guide-to-yountville-a-three-day-itinerary/?utm_source=Visit+Napa+Valley+Newsletter&utm_campaign=4e892e884e-EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_2023_11a&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_4e892e884e-%5BLIST_EMAIL_ID%5D

Art Walk – Napa Valley Marathon to put the Art Walk Map in their virtual ‘goodie’ bag! It will go to 5,000 runners in January. No charge to Yountville Arts. Arranged by Commissioner Marita Dorenbecher

Art Walk - Holidays in Yountville Gift Guide went Live on November 1 - *SHOP THE YOUNTVILLE ART WALK* Christmas Ornament Cover. Ornaments feature -‘Who Rescued Who’, ‘Combustion’, ‘Muse with Attitude’ <https://joom.ag/hkKI>

Paul Youngman Gallery Show Full page article in ‘Napa Valley Features’ by Rosemarie Kempton <https://napavalleyfocus.substack.com/p/paul-youngman-paints-napa-valley>

Art Walk FAM - 10/21 David Landis & Public Relations Global Network w/Art Commissioners Cindy Kapjian and Marita Dorenbecher – Photos & Video from Marita to share for Social

Art Walk FAM - 10/16 FAM [City Style and Living Magazine](#) and freelance writer [Virginia Miller](#) w/former Art Commissioner Jim McDonald

Legacy Roundtable - Yountville Chamber events blog - <https://yountville.com/blog/october-2023-events-in-napa-valley/>

Posting:

CANVAS – Handwritten Out Loud/Paul Youngman Gallery Show

Chamber Newsletter – Legacy Roundtable #4 Culinary event

Napa Valley Life – Handwritten Out Loud/Legacy Roundtable/Paul Youngman Gallery Show.

11. PERFORMING ARTS SUBCOMMITTEE

Commissioner Meredith provided the Performing Arts Subcommittee update.

12. MUSTARD CELEBRATION SUBCOMMITTEE

General Updates

- The Heart of Friendship: Sent out the first 20 personal participation requests. Ten artists making 5 pairings have responded. I have more artists to send and will continue to stay in touch with those on my list. Cindy also sending artists participation letters out.

- Next Mustard Celebration meeting will be mid November and will be the last of the year.

Chair Schaer provided the Mustard Celebration Subcommittee update.

13. ART, SIP & STROLL UPDATE

Chair Schaer and Parks and Recreation Holland provided a brief update.

14. STAFF INFORMATIONAL REPORTS

None.

15. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS / REPORTS

None.

16. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Commissioner Hudson, seconded by Commissioner Leigh to Adjourn the meeting The motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: 6; Chair Schaer, Vice Chair Kapjian, Commissioner Leigh, Commissioner Meredith, Commissioner Hudson, Commissioner Dorenbecher

NOES: 0

ABSTAIN: 0

Adjourned to the Yountville Arts Commission Regular Meeting on December 4, 2023 at 4:00 p.m. being held in Town Council Chambers located at 6550 Yount Street.

Eddy Gomez, Town Clerk

Date Approved: December 4, 2023