

NCAC Meeting  
October 1, 2025  
Newnan City Hall

The October 1, 2025 meeting of the Newnan Cultural Arts Commission (NCAC) met at the City of Newnan, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Conference Room, with Chair Jaami Rutledge presiding. The Chair called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m. with the following members present:

Joe Arnotti  
Bette Hickman  
Bob McKoon  
Jaami Rutledge, Chair  
Gabby White, Secretary  
Elizabeth Williams  
Nora Ann Wood, Vice Chair

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Brent Snodgrass, City Leisure Services Director  
Madeline Sain, Wadsworth Auditorium Events Coordinator  
Hasco Craver, Assistant City Manager  
Dr. Ronnie Oliver, Wadsworth Concert Director  
Kim Ramey, Backstreet Arts

The Chair welcomed the attendees. The Minutes of the September 3, 2025 meeting were approved and will be filed.

Vice Chair Report: No report.

Chair Report: Finance review. Report attached. Jaami got quotes for new NCAC nametags. She will mock up some more designs for next meeting. Review survey data that was collected by the City regarding what types of events they've attended and what they'd like to see more of. Proposal deadline for 2026-2027 season will be extended until 10/8.

Continuing Business:

Newnan Songwriters Festival Update: 1/30/26 – 1/31/26

Madeline has secured Kevin Kinney for Friday night headliner with signed contract. Madeline has email confirmation with Adam Wright for Saturday headliner. No contract has been signed yet. Kris Youmans and James Tiernan will be the openers respectively. The six venues, aside from the Wadsworth, will be RPM, The Bays, Leaf and Bean, Vinylyte Records, Below the Neck and The Lune. Approximately 18 artist slots available. Local submission link is up and active.

Peach State Opera Update: 2/14/26

Hansel and Gretel. Still waiting for signed contract. Joe will get in contact with Kyle Khan Studio for local dancers for the production.

Wadsworth Concert Updates: 3/7/26

Dr. Oliver has all but one artist lined up. Steinway use is available, but Commission would be responsible for moving/insurance. Bette has spoken with Rebecca (Charles' daughter) who would like to attend the concert. NCAC will cover her travel expenses. Better is working on a letter to send out to former Patrons regarding donations and will bring draft to our next meeting.

NCAC 2026/2027 Season:

Already covered in Chair Report. Proposals are due October 8<sup>th</sup>. Proposal meeting will be October 15<sup>th</sup>, 11am-1pm.

New Business:

Coweta Community Foundation Partnership

Jaami, Madeline and Brent met with Scott McInnis with the Foundation. This would be a way to accept donations to put towards future events. The Foundation would serve as the nonprofit arm for our funds. Requires a \$5,000 deposit to start the account. **Motion:** (Joe Arnotti) "I move to set aside \$5,000 to open an account with the Coweta Community Foundation." **Second.** (Nora Ann Wood). Adopted.

Proposal Overview for Special Called Meeting

Proposals are due October 8<sup>th</sup>. Proposal meeting will be October 15<sup>th</sup>, 11am-1pm.

Unsilent Night: 12/6/25

Kim Ramey as a representative for Unsilent Night asks for the commissions support in order to waive the fee of a City Park. **Motion:** (Bette Hickman) "I move that NCAC support Unsilent Night on December 6, 2025 for the use of an available City Park." **Second.** (Nora Ann Wood). Adopted

**Motion:** (Joe Arnotti) "I move to adjourn the meeting." **Second.** (Nora Ann Wood). Adopted

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 1:01p.m.

Special proposal review meeting: October 15, 2025, Newnan City Hall, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Conference Room, 11a.m. – 1p.m.

Next regular meeting: November 5, 2025, Newnan City Hall, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Conference Room, noon – 1p.m.

Gabby White  
Secretary, 2025