

# Southampton Arts and Culture Committee

Meeting Minutes Monday May 21 2018  
Where: Southampton Town Hall  
116 Hampton Road Southampton  
Lower Level Conference Room

## **I. Call to Order**

Meeting called to order at 6:35pm.

## **II. Roll Call of Members**

Hope Sandrow, Chair  
*Ex-Officio*  
Tommy John Schiavoni, Town Council Liaison

## **III. Introduction of attendees.**

(listed in alphabetical order)

Ruth Appelhof  
Lillian Ball  
Kate Gilroy  
Kimberly Goff  
Mae Mougín  
Ulf Skogsbergh

## **IV. Reports, Updates**

### **1. Calendar of Arts and Culture on the East End**

Subcommittee members (alphabetical order): Laura Devinney, Jane Iselin, James Slezak, Ulf Skogsbergh, Caterina Verde, Shane Weeks.

**Update:** Hope Sandrow reported status as imminent for posting online by programmer Ethan Roberts with Sea TV director Charles Certain. Who will oversee content as well as hosting on stand alone site made possible by Councilman Schiavoni and Supervisor Schneiderman. Also reported that SHACC and HAN Member Elka Rifkin said all Han members look forward to participating. Kate Gilroy and Mae Mougín express security and compliance concerns. Gilroy suggests limiting initial posting to Town of Southampton institutions: however HAN members are sited all over the east end. Councilman Schiavoni and Sandrow reconfirming all on track, safeguards in place and others added as needed. Schiavoni suggests periodically changing username and password ... to be discussed with Certain.

View current version programmed by Ethan Roberts:  
public page: <https://shacc-ed3ef.firebaseio.com>  
page for self posting:  
<https://shacc-ed3ef.firebaseio.com/919ddbbc6483b8b243d0592f5432a2fd/login>

Sandrow reconfirmed criteria for member/institution participation: not for profit with an arts and culture mission based on the east end (from Westhampton Beach to Montauk for South fork; Riverhead to Orient for North Fork ). Minimum of 1 event annually open to the public. Arts and Culture events include visual arts, performing arts, literary arts, film, culinary arts, music, architecture, ecology, astronomy, nature, walking trails, and environment. Exceptions to these guidelines can be given by SHACC Members based on letter explaining why. Examples might be Shinnecock Pow Wow; Stony Brook University FoodLab.

**to do:** Ask Charles for an email address associated with his web host ie [info@shacc.art](mailto:info@shacc.art). Perhaps others project specific such as [calendar@shacc.art](mailto:calendar@shacc.art); Jane, James and Laura to contact east end institutions to participate, to reply "yes" via email to them. Councilman Schiavoni will look into Town promotion of the calendar launch, including a proclamation recognizing the launch.

## **2. The cultural landscape.**

Continue discussion of ideas that would make a difference in our cultural landscape. Initiatives and actions our Town Board(s) might undertake to nurture growth and sustainability of artists, art and cultural organizations to concurrently benefit our community.

### **a. Art and Culture themed community day trips. (working title SHACC on the road)**

Subcommittee members in formation: Liaison Tommy John Schiavoni, (alphabetical order) Kate Gilroy (sub committee chair), Olivia Motch, Minerva Perez, Hope Sandrow, Caterina Verde

Update: Kate Gilroy presented a well written project description, composed with Sandrow (emailed to sub committee members and Councilman Schiavoni this past Monday) in response to Supervisor Schneiderman's request to see in writing what had been discussed, decided. All present responded positively to the content. Councilman Schiavoni agreeing it being forwarded in its present form to Schneiderman, the inaugural Host, to select the day's events (date, time destinations). Once known, his chosen destinations contacted to coordinate tour (content and timing) to related entry fees (possibly waived) to mapping travel.

Sandrow repeats (from last meeting minutes) that Liaison Schiavoni said one town owned bus seats 16-20 people: there will be no charge to participants. Reports day tour participation and info will be posted on SHACC calendar of the East End overseen by Certain who will also promote on social media and Sea Tv. In relation to the above mentioned project description encompassing months of open discussion, Gilroy expresses concerns and suggests destinations limited to one destination; all within Town of Southampton; participants be charged a fee, even if nominal; instead of the Town owned Bus (offered freely) that a larger capacity bus be rented from a company such as Hampton Jitney (her thought is they might offer at reduced rate or free for the publicity which she wants to look into). Others including Goff and Sandrow respond that fee based alters the idea of the project aimed to bring people of all ages and economic means together. Goff (when available) volunteers to be a Spanish language translator. Liaison Schiavoni believes the tour ready to move toward being realized as is, with our responding, making changes to how the initial one hosted by Jay unfolds.

**to do:** Councilman Schiavoni will ask graphics dept if they can produce banner for bus. Coordinate with roll out of calendar. Sandrow will forward project description to Supervisor Schneiderman. Gilroy will look into larger capacity bus rental.

### **d. Sharing/ trading resource materials.**

**Report:** Liaison Tommy John Schiavoni reports Town owned properties are being mapped..perhaps a possible site. He will look into North Sea or Hampton Bays Waste Management locales as possible sites where materials could be brought, stored...distributed. Ruth Appelhof mentions that a system be instituted in our Town like that of Easthampton that functions very well. Ulf Skogsbergh suggests walk in pods placed at the waste management sites would protect the materials from weather.

**to do:** Councilman Schiavoni will ask if walk in pods can be located at waste management sites.

### **e. Affordable studio space and housing for artists:**

Subcommittee members in formation: Liaison Tommy John Schiavoni, (alphabetical order) Kate Gilroy, Ingrid Madera, Dan Welden.

**Report:** Liaison Tommy John Schiavoni repeats buildings on CPF sites cannot be used because the use has to comply with the intention of the purchase.

Sandrow asks if our committee can look for sellers willing to designate the properties for studio and or housing to be sold to CPF. Discussion includes Gilroy discussing how artist housing and studio space resurrected the village of Patchogue, a project being repeated in Riverhead; Ball, Goff, Mouglin respond that situation on the east end already flourishing..vastly different circumstances.

**VI. New Business**

**VIII. Adjournment:**

Meeting adjourned 8:06 pm.

**Minutes Taken By:**

Hope Sandrow, chair

Date of Approval: September 11 2018

Date Approved Minutes Forwarded to Town Clerk: September 19 2018

Upcoming meeting; June 18

Future monthly meetings:

July 16; Aug 20; Sept 17; Oct 15; Nov 19; December 17

Meetings Third Monday (aside from holidays) of each month @6:30pm