

Gualala Community Center

Timeline

- February 13, 2023 - Gualala Community Center destroyed by arson fire

- February 21, 2023
 - Rebuilding Donations received \$14, 318
 - \$10,000 – Community Foundation of Sonoma
 - \$4,318 – private donations
 - Notice to public for local designers, architects, general contractors, project managers to submit bid proposals to rebuild the Community Center
 - Searched for a temporary location to house displaced Pay-n-Take departments.
 - Four options identified
 - Cypress Village
 - Gualala Hotel
 - Trailers
 - Modulars
 - Rebuilding Committee Formed
 - Kevin Evans – Gualala Community Center Board and non-profits
 - De Denten – Gualala Community Center Board and Pay-n-Take
 - Kenny Jowers – Gualala Business Community
 - David Shpak – Gualala Municipal Advisory Council
 - Leslie Bates – RCMS
 - Micheline White – Mendonoma Health Alliance
 - Rebecca Stewart – Coastal Seniors

- March 14, 2023
 - Insurance Money - \$1.5 million dollars
 - \$100k private matching fund donation
 - \$100 matching funds raised

- April 11, 2023
 - Gualala Community Center Ballot Measure – granting permission to the Board of Directors to approve spending over \$5k during the rebuilding project.

- May 9, 2023
 - Rebuilding Committee discussed the possibility of renting or purchasing a modular unit to house the PNT clothing department. Recommendation to the board was the cost and permitting process would be cost and time prohibitive.
 - Rebuilding Committee interviewed 11 potential architects to design the community center. The committee recommended three candidates for a second interview with the Board of Directors.
 - Adrain Adams added to the Rebuilding Committee. Background structural engineering
 - Robert Ramers replaced Rebecca Stewart as the Coastal Seniors representative.
 - Rental Agreement executed by Bill Matthews for space to house the clothing department.
 - Board approved demolition contract with John Robertson to remove the burned down center.
 - Lynne Door provided proposal to develop a Community Center branding program
 - Board approved the ballot measure that the Board of Directors would like to remove any spending limits while the BOD is rebuilding the community center.
 - Created a Rebuilding Fund Account with West America Bank

- June 23, 2023
 - Awarded the architectural contract to Figure Architects (James Leng and Jennifer Ly).
 - Conducted three town hall meetings
 - Launched online community survey

- July 19, 2023

- Both Gualala Community Center Bylaw changes passed by the required 2/3 vote of the General Membership.
 - Board approved the Architect contract to Figure
 - Rebuilding Committee Members selected – De Williams and Jami Sundstrom
 - GCC Membership Meeting/Picnic postponed to September 2023
 - Board of Directors to prioritize the possible uses of the Gualala Community Center
- August 8, 2023
 - Board approved the hiring of two grant writers.
 - Gualala Community Center General Membership meeting scheduled for September 10, 2023
 - Board of Direction direction to architects to have clothing return to the main campus, 5,300 sq. ft. in Annex to possibly be reorganized to accommodate all departments.
- August 24, 2023
 - Board direction to upgrade the medium hall to 1,600 sq. ft. reducing the larger main hall size to be dedicated to the clothing store for use until such time as the annex is remodeled and would be able to provide adequate space.
 - Recommended the hiring of a kitchen consultant.
 - Grant writing selection committee, Karen Russell, Micheline Kirby White, Leslie Bares and Robert Ramers to identify potential grant opportunities.
 - Public presentation of the community center plans. The presentation will be informational only and serve as a kickoff to the Capital Campaign.
- September 12, 2023
 - Rebuilding Committee met with Pay-n-Take Department heads. Karen Russell suggested being a liaison with the Rebuilding Committee and the PNT Department heads.
 - Rebuilding Committee is limited to nine voting members. De's term ends June 30, 2024
 - Gualala Membership Meeting – October 1, 2024 at the Gualala Arts Center

- September 19, 2023
 - Board direction to architects to design a multipurpose only Community Center with a plan for the annex remodel for all Pay-n-Take departments

- October 10, 2023
 - Sonoma Clean Energy donation - \$10k
 - PG&E design grant for architects – the GCC is not qualified.

- November 14, 2023
 - Board selected the Annex Remodel Committee Members
 - David Fouts, Bill Matthews and all PNT Department heads
 - Grant Writers selected
 - Jami Umble – hired to search for grants
 - Mark Simon – hired to write grants

- December 12, 2023
 - 100% preliminary design plans approved by the Board of Directors
 - Formation of a fundraising committee
 - De Williams to head up the committee.
 - Selling Community Center Bricks
 - Valentines Day Potluck Fundraiser – suggested by Janet Pierucci

- January 9, 2024
 - Brick Sale – De Williams and Furniture & Electrics to determine a future sale date.

- February 13, 2024
 - General Contractor Interview Panel selected.
 - David Fouts and Karen Russell will represent the BOD.
 - Leslie Bates and David Shpak to represent the RBC.
 - Kevin Evans to coordinate and serve as point of contact

- May 7, 2024
 - Board of Directors approved the selection of a General Contractor for \$8.5 million dollars.
 - Public Presentation scheduled for May 29, 2024 at the Gualala Arts Center. Karen Russell to plan the presentation and provide notification to the Department heads.
 - Public Presentation scheduled for June 5th or 6th at the Del Mar Center.
 - Consider \$500 Lifetime membership program.

- June 11, 2024
 - Rebuilding Committee – primary focus on the Capital Campaign