

Canton, Georgia

*110 Academy Street
Canton, Georgia 30114*



Minutes - Final - Final

Wednesday, January 8, 2025

5:00 PM

**City Hall
110 Academy Street**

Canton Main Street Board

1. Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 5:01 pm

In attendance: Dana Cox, Jen Hughes, Dustin Davey, Dave Hatabian, Jack Shampine, Erick Garrison, Velinda Hardy, Ella Murdock, Amber Palermo, Jodi Drinkard, Shawn Tolan.

2. Welcome to Newly Appointed Board Members: Ella Murdock & Amber Palermo

Board Members introduced themselves and welcomed new Board Members Ella Murdock and Amber Palermo.

3. Approval of the Agenda

Motion to approve the agenda made by Jen Hughes. Second by Jodi Drinkard. All members voted in favor of the motion.

4. Approval of December 2024 Minutes**A. Canton Main Street Board Draft Minutes - December 4, 2024**

Attachments: [Minutes - Canton Main Street Board - December 4, 2024](#)

Motion to approve the December 2024 Meeting Minutes made by Jen Hughes. Second by Dustin Davey. All members voted in favor of the motion. Ella Murdock, Amber Palermo, and Jodi Drinkard abstained.

5. Approval of December 2024 Financials

Jodi Drinkard presented the December 2024 Financials, including the outstanding reconciliations. Jodi expressed concerns with a check that has not been cashed from Sunbelt Rentals in the amount of \$4,083.46. Motion to approve December 2024 Financials made by Dave Hatabian. Second by Erick Garrison. All members voted in favor of the motion.

6. Old Business**A. Alley Project Update**

Mayor & Council have requested a proposal from the Main Street Board for the Bizarre Coffee Alleyway Project by February 1, 2025. MSB will develop budget, timeline and project assessment for the proposed project. Specific items to address include sanitation and safety. Dana Cox will send out preliminary concepts/ideas for comment.

B. Kiosk Project Update

Discussed the kiosk options, such as real time updates for the maps, restaurants

& businesses and cost sharing with the Tourism Board. Once details are worked out, including preliminary costs, number of kiosks, location, utility requirements, etc., a formal presentation to the Tourism Board will be made at their next meeting.

**C. Facade Grant for 221 East Main Street for Awning Replacement -
Waiting on Job to be Completed**

The Facade Grant for the awning replacement, which was approved last month, was a conditional approval subject to installation of the new awning however, the project has not been started yet and consequently the funds will not be issued until the project is complete.

7. New Business

A. Reappointment of Jack Shampine

Jack Shampine was reappointed by Mayor and Council at the January 2, 2025 City Council Meeting.

B. Volunteer Appointment Commitment Form

Volunteer Appointment Commitment Forms were distributed to the Board Members for signatures and returned to Velinda Hardy.

C. 2025 Work Plan Session

The 2025 Work Plan Session and February 2025 Main Street Board Meeting are scheduled for Wednesday, February 5, 2025 at 12:00 pm.

D. Upcoming Events

State of the City - January 29

The Mayor's 2025 State of the City Address will be at the Canton Theater on Wednesday, January 29, 2025 at 6:00 pm.

Chocolate Walk - February 15

The Chocolate Walk is scheduled for Saturday, February 15, 2025 from 11:00 am to 5:00 pm.

Glow Night - March 1

Glow Night will be on Saturday, March 1, 2025 from 7:00 pm to 10:00 pm. Glow Night will follow the West Main Arts Festival (Non-City Event) on West Main Street from 12:00 pm to 7:00 pm.

In Person Accreditation Reporting - Newnan - March 4

In Person Accreditation Reporting is scheduled for Tuesday, March 4, 2025 in Newnan, GA from 1:30 pm to 3:30 pm.

Main Street Mixer - Rock N Roll Sushi - March 11

The 2025 First Quarter Main St. Mixer will be at Rock-N-Roll Sushi, located at the Mill, on Tuesday, March 11, 2025 from 5:30 pm to 8:00 pm.

Shamrock Shuffle - March 15

Dana Cox presented the graphics, list of participating bars, shuttle stops, and band information. The event will be on Saturday, March 15, 2025 from 12:00 pm to 8:00 pm. Preliminary cost for the event will be \$40 per ticket which includes 2 drinks. Dana will look into ways of reducing the cost.

8. President's Comments

No additional comments.

9. Downtown Director's Comments

Velinda Hardy discussed the items required for the monthly submittal to DCA and asked the Board for any comments.

10. Board Member Introduced Items

Jodi Drinkard made a motion to remove Todd Hogan from the Board. Dana Cox seconded the motion. The motion was made in accordance with the requirements of Exhibit B of the Main Street Board By-Laws, which is listed below.

"In addition to the requirements of the Georgia Department of Community Affairs for Board Members of a Georgia Classic Main Street Program, as stated below, The Canton Main Street Program also requires the following:

All Board Members attend 75% of monthly Board Meetings (can miss a total of 2).

All Board Members will volunteer for 50% of the events or programs of the Main Street Program. Volunteering can be defined as in person at events or serving on committees for planning and prep of such events and programs.

All Board Members will be required to serve on a committee

If the Board Member doesn't fulfill these commitments to the organization, the Member understands that their position with Canton Main Street may be rescinded."

After discussing this in more detail, Dana Cox made a motion table the original motion until the February 2025 Board Meeting until more details are available.

Second by Dustin Davey. All members voted in favor of the motion.

11. Adjourn

Motion to adjourn made by Dustin Davey at 6:15 pm. Second by Jodi Drinkard. All members voted in favor of the motion.