

Canton, Georgia

*110 Academy Street
Canton, Georgia 30114*



Minutes - Final - Final

Wednesday, September 6, 2023

5:00 PM

**City Hall
110 Academy Street**

Canton Main Street Board

1. Call to Order

In attendance: Erick Garrison, Jennifer Hughes, Stefanie Forte, Celeste Charleston, Jodi Drinkard, Danielle Kitchen, Sharon Ware, Ray De Luca, Jack Shampine, and Dana Cox.

Staff Liaison: Velinda Hardy, Brooke Schmidt

2. Approval of the Agenda

Jennifer made a motion to approve the agenda, second by Celeste, all in favor.

3. Approval of Minutes from August 2, 2023

A. Canton Main Street Board Draft Minutes - August 2, 2023 - Attachment 3A

Attachments: [Minutes - Canton Main Street Board - August 2, 2023](#)

Jodi made a motion to approve the minutes, second by Jennifer, all in favor.

4. Approval of August Financials

Budget for next year discussed and review of current financials by Sharon, focusing on profit and loss for all events to date. Motion to approve by Maria, second by Celeste all in favor.

5. Organization Reports

A. History Cherokee

No report.

B. Canton Tourism

Danielle will email report, Angie spoke about Explore Canton Ads

C. Downtown Development Authority

DDA (Jennifer): North Street Project complete. Hotel feasibility study completed 8/9. At their next meeting there will be a discussion on land purchase around Edgewater for more trails.

D. Art Commission

Menagerie on Main is planning and hosting "West Main Arts Festival" on March 2, 2024.

6. Old Business

A. GDA Conference

Overall went well; over 300 in attendance.

B. First Friday 2023

Last one coming up 10/6, On the Border, Eagles Tribute Band.

C. Farmers Market

Concerns from vendors and a small amount of social media backlash on shortening the season.

Invited vendors to share their ideas for having the market last longer, but also sharing our concerns about spotty participation after Labor Day.

D. Chili Cookoff / Beer & Wine

Discussed tabling this until next year; vote will be at October Meeting

E. MS 101 Training

Can be completed online. All must also take "switch to 6" in addition to the MS 101. Do this by years end!

7. New Business**A. President's Comments**

None.

B. Facade Grant Budget

Vote to ask City for more money (15K) for the grants. Motion to approve by Dana, second by Celeste.

Dana submitted a grant application for Penn Hodge. Motion to approve by Jen, second by Sharon.

C. 2024 Budget Approval

2024 Budget Approval tabled, motion to approve by Dana, second by Celeste

D. Reschedule October 4 Board Meeting Due to Mobilize Main Street

Motion to reschedule October meeting to 10/11 due to Mobile Main Street by Dana, second by Jodi.

E. Board Member Introduced Items

8. Adjourn

Motion to adjourn at 6:24 pm by Dana, second by Jennifer, all in favor.