

Canton, Georgia

*110 Academy Street
Canton, Georgia 30114*



Minutes - Final - Draft

Wednesday, June 3, 2026

4:30 PM

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Canton Main Street Board

1. Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 4:34 pm

Members In attendance: Dana Mallett, Erick Garrison, Ella Murdock, Amber Palermo, Dave Hatabian, Jen Hughes, Velinda Hardy

Others in attendance: Hannah Stringer, Aundi Lesley

2. Approval of the Agenda

Motion to approve the agenda was made by Jen Hughes Second by Ella Murdock All members voted in favor of the motion.

3. Approval of May 2026 Minutes**A. Canton Main Street Board Draft Minutes - May 6, 2026**

Attachments: [Minutes - Canton Main Street Board - May 6, 2026](#)

Ella Murdock noted the May Minutes listed a motion to approve a Façade Grant Reimbursement for the Jones Building under the agenda item for Southernite Interiors Façade Grant. The May Minutes will be corrected. Motion to approve the May 3, 2026 Meeting Minutes contingent upon the corrected minutes was made by Ella Murdock. Second by Jennifer Hughes. All members voted in favor of the motion.

4. Approval of May 2026 Reimbursement to the City of Canton

Motion to approve reimbursement of the May 2026 invoices in the amount of \$12,678.19 from Main Street to the City of Canton was made by Jack Shampine. Second by Ella Murdock. All members voted in favor of the motion.

5. Old Business**A. Downtown Canton Breakfast Club - May 14**

The May 14th Breakfast Club Meeting had approximately 50 attendees. Billy Peppers provided updates on the ongoing City projects in Downtown including the West Main Street Project, North Street Projects, and the pedestrian bridge over the Etowah River at the Mill. The next meeting will be on August 13, 2026.

B. 2026/2027 Budget Request

Dana Mallett presented a preliminary draft of the Main Budget. A subsequent meeting will be held to finalize the budget. There was discussion on eliminating some financial software that was used in the past.

C. Downtown Business Contact and Volunteer Signup

A preliminary Volunteer Form is available for review prior to sending out to the public.

6. New Business

A. Set Date for 2026 Taste of Canton

A survey was sent to the businesses asking about days for Taste of Canton. The responses indicated that Sunday was the preferred day for the Taste of Canton. After discussion, it was agreed to change the day for the Taste of Canton from Thursday to Sunday. A motion to have the Taste of Canton on Sunday, October 4th from 2:00 pm – 6:00 pm was made by Jen Hughes. Second by Jack Shampine. All members voted for the motion.

B. GEMS Presentation - City Council June 4

The DCA will make the GEMS presentation to the City Council on Thursday, June 4, 2026.

C. Board Chair Comments

*The Roller-Skating Rink will open on June 19th at the Mill
The 2nd Building of the Apartments will be open on June 12th.
The County took over the parking lot behind Stouts and will be resurfacing the lot.*

D. Downtown Director's Comments

There will not be a Board Meeting in July.

E. Board Member Introduced Items

There were not any Board Member introduced items.

7. Adjourn

*Motion to adjourn made by Erick Garrison at 5:15 pm. Second by Jen Hughes.
All members voted in favor of the motion.*