

Main Street Young Harris Board Meeting Minutes 9/19/2023

Present: Dana Dockery, David Sanford, Dana Cable, MS Director Rosemary Royston

Absent: John Luc, Jess Harris, Michelle Barnard (Michelle noted at 8/29 meeting that she would be out of town for Sept meeting).

A quorum was not present for the meeting, yet those present engaged in a productive discussion of the draft of the Main Street Bylaws, which are attached with edits in blue.

Members discussed increasing the number of members on the existing board, with a total of up to nine. Outreach to prospective members will be made prior to the October meeting. MS Director will find a sample application to be used for new members and for future vacancies.

Main Street Director and members reviewed the minutes from the 8/29/23 meeting. No changes were made, and minutes will be presented in October for review and approval.

The following timeline was agreed to for next steps: (Note: the MS Board meets 10 out of 12 months, with November and December being off months due to holiday schedules. Even as off months, this does not preclude board members from engaging in activities to promote downtown).

Oct 2023	Interest level for Officer positions identified, with members sharing their
	desired office and skills they bring to role. MS Director will research best
	practices on identifying a nominating process to implement.

Final review of Bylaws

Jan 2024 Bylaws finalized (if not completed in Oct) and to City Council for review.

Officer elections; Mission & Vision Statements

Engage in small project related to Placemaking initiatives such as crosswalk painting, barn quilt promotion, or planters for downtown

Feb 2024 Transformation Strategies identified

Reminder: Members are to attend 75% of meetings. Those who have conflicts should notify the MS Director prior to the meeting. **Next meeting is on 10/17/2023, 6:30 pm, YH City Hall.**