

## Main Street Young Harris Board Meeting Minutes 10/17/2023

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Present: Dana Dockery, Michelle Barnard, David Sanford, Dana Cable, Jess Harris, John Luc

Absent: Michelle Barnard

Visitor: Gweniver Betti

## **Old Business:**

Minutes from the 8/29/2023 and 9/19/2023 were reviewed. Dana Cable moved to approve the minutes, John Luc seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Review and discussion of Main Street Bylaws took place. See attached for edits.

## **New Business:**

Main Street Director Rosemary Royston encouraged all Main Street board members to attend the October 18, 2023 master planning meetings at either 11:30 am or 5:30 pm, schedule allowing. Joe Rothwell of the GMRC will lead a community discussion on parks, trails, and recreation for the first of three meetings.

New member outreach was discussed, and the draft of the Application for the Nomination to the Main Street Board was reviewed. David Sanford made the motion to approve the Application for the Nomination to the Main Street Board. John Luc seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Discussion occurred about potential projects in November or December 2023, the months that the Main Street board does not meet. Members expressed an interest in helping with the Garden Club's Christmas Tree lighting in Mayors Park to educate the community about Main Street and to sell merchandise. Main Street Director offered to reach out to the Garden Club President Helen Harvey to discuss the possibility of this.

Main Street Director shared the AmEx Small Business Saturday information (Nov 25<sup>th</sup>) with members and will send the link for businesses to apply. Royston has already applied to be a Small Business Neighborhood Champion.

When reviewing the Timeline on the 9/19/2023 meeting minutes, it was agreed that the by laws be completed by Jan 2024 and sent to City Council, with voting on Officer Positions occurring in February

2024. Because this is a new group, nominations will come from the floor, and Director Royston reviewed the process from Robert's Rules of Order.

Meeting adjourned at 7:40 pm.