



Main Street Advisory Board Meeting Minutes

A regular meeting of the Main Street Board was held on Monday, June 12, 2023, beginning at 4:00 p.m. at Brenham City Hall, 200 W. Vulcan Street, Brenham, Texas.

Members present:

Andi Liner, Doug Peck, Elizabeth Price, Lowell Ogle, Pete Simpson, Connie Wilder

Members absent:

Dax Flisowski, Celia Haley, Tiffany Morisak, Wendy Meaux,

City Staff present:

Main Street Manager Leigh Linden

Economic Development Specialist Teresa Rosales

City of Brenham Manager Carolyn Miller

Others present:

Adrienne Schwartz, Sherry Harber, Rusty Summar

1. Call Meeting to Order

The Main Street Board Chair, Doug Peck called the meeting to order at 4:01 pm.

2. Citizen/Visitor Comments

Adrienne Schwartz commented that she participated in the Summer Sip and loved it. She explained that she met people from all areas that came to shop downtown.

3. Reports from Main Street Committee Chairs:

- a. **Design-** 2 Grant applications have been discussed. Holiday Décor has been ordered.
- b. **Economic Vitality-** No meeting since the last board meeting.
- c. **Organization-** 25th Anniversary sub-committee to plan event
- d. **Promotions-** Summer Sip was successful. The event was sold out.

4. Discussion and Update on Summer Sip

Promotions Chair Andi Liner said again that the Summer Sip event was successful. The event sold over 500 glasses. She stressed that more board participation is needed for events.

5. Discussion and Update on First Friday Farmer’s and Artisan Market

Main Street Manager, Leigh Linden gave an update on the new Farmers Market software. She and vendors find it easier to use. The price of a vendor booth has increased from \$15 to \$25. Only 2 vendors voiced complaints.

6. Discuss and Possibly Act Upon the Minutes from the May 1, 2023 Regular Meeting

Elizabeth Price made a motion to approve the minutes. Pete Simpson seconded the motion. Chair called for a vote. The motion passed with the Board voting as follows:

Chair Doug Peck	Yes
Vice-chair Pete Simpson	Yes
Dax Flisowski	Absent
Celia Haley	Absent
Andi Liner	Yes
Wendy Meaux	Absent
Tiffany Morisak	Absent
Lowell Ogle	Yes
Elizabeth Price	Yes
Connie Wilder	Yes

7. Discuss and Possibly Act Upon Building Plans and Specifications submitted by 209 S. Market LLC for a Commercial Tax Phase-In Incentive on .16 Acres of Land, Located at 209 S. Market, Brenham, Texas.

Teresa Rosales, Washington County Brenham Economic Development Specialist, read the policy adopted by the city for Tax Phase City Manager, Carolyn Miller was present and explained the process. Applicant, Adrienne Schwartz was also present and explained her plans. A motion was made by Pete Simpson and seconded by Andi Liner. Chair called for a vote. The motion passed with the Board voting as follows:

Chair Doug Peck	Yes
Vice-chair Pete Simpson	Yes
Dax Flisowski	Absent
Celia Haley	Absent
Andi Liner	Yes
Wendy Meaux	Absent
Tiffany Morisak	Absent
Lowell Ogle	Yes
Elizabeth Price	Yes
Connie Wilder	Yes

8. Discuss and Possibly Act Upon the Recommendation from the Design Committee to approve the application of the Main Street Downtown Reimbursement Grant for Adrienne Schwartz

The board was made aware of the Design Committee’s approval of the Downtown Incentive Reimbursement Grant application from 209 S. Market, LLC. No action was needed or taken.

9. Discuss and Possibly Act Upon the Recommendation from the Economic Vitality Committee that the Terms of the Main Street Economic Impact & Innovation Grant for Green Grain Events (Doug Peck Studio) are Completed and Verified, and Authorize Payment

Doug Peck recused himself by leaving the room and taking no part in the discussion. Pete Simpson, as Vice-Chair led the meeting. Connie Wilder asked about the Certificate of Occupancy. It was unclear at that time if one had been issued. With Doug Peck's absence, there was a lack of quorum. No vote was taken.

10. Administrative Updates

➤ **New Main Street Businesses**

Do to the July July 4th Holiday, the next meeting was moved to August 7th.

➤ **Updates from Elected Officials- none**

➤ **Other Updates**

Adjourn

There being no further business, Doug Peck adjourned the meeting at 4:46 pm.

Doug Peck

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Chair

ATTEST:

Leigh Linden

Leigh Linden
Main Street Manager