



**Main Street Advisory Board
Meeting Minutes
January 8, 2024**

A regular meeting of the Main Street Board was held on Monday, January 8, 2024, beginning at 4:00 p.m. at Brenham City Hall, 200 W. Vulcan Street, Brenham, Texas.

Citizens' Comments

Members present:

Doug Peck, Andi Liner, Wendy Meaux, Connie Wilder, Dax Flisowski, Lowel Ogle, Tiffany Morisak, Roger Ross, Amber Briggs

Members absent:

Celia Haley, Jon Hill

City Staff present:

Main Street Manager, Leigh Linden

Economic and Community Development Director, Teresa Rosales

Economic Development Administrative Assistant, Christine Simich

Others present:

Sherry Harbor, Council member Albert Wright, Jennifer Eckermann

1. Call Meeting to Order

The Main Street Board Chair, Doug Peck called the meeting to order at 4:02 pm.

2. Citizen/Visitor Comments

Sherry Harbor on parking downtown.

3. Welcome New Board Members

Welcomed new board members Roger Ross and Amber Briggs.

4. Update by Promotion Committee on Upcoming Uptown Swirl Event

Andi Liner gave an update. 477 tickets have been sold. The event will be on January 13th 3-7pm. Online tickets are available until Friday 11:30 pm. Still needing volunteers. Volunteer sign-up sheet provided.

5. Update on the First Friday Farmer & Artisan Market

Leigh Linden gave an update regarding the future location of the Market. Concerns about moving the location out of the Main Street area. The Board will vote on this issue in the next meeting in February. The next Market will be held on February 2nd.

6. Update on Brenham Heritage Museum

David Thomas gave an update. 3,162 visitors and 122 members. Completely new staff. Unveiled temporary exhibit 'Forgotten Gateways' with plans to make it permanent.

7. Update on The Washington County Chamber of Commerce

No update at this time.

8. Discuss and Consider Approval of Recommendation to City Council for Smithsonian’s Museum on Main Street (MoMS) Freedom Colonies Exhibit to be Located in Belle’s Alley.

Jennifer Eckermann discussed the plan for this project. The Museum on Main exhibit will be in conjunction with the Smithsonian project to update plaques expand Tobin Park. On Belles Alley the Museum on Main is the Untold stories of our community. A motion was made by Andi Liner and seconded by Roger Ross. The chair called for a vote. The motion passed with the Board voting as follows:

Chair Doug Peck	Yes
Andi Liner	Yes
Celia Haley	Absent
Connie Wilder	Yes
Dax Flisowski	Yes
Jon Hill	Absent
Lowell Ogle	Yes
Tiffany Morisak	Yes
Wendy Meaux	Yes
Roger Ross	Yes
Amber Briggs	Yes

9. Approval of Minutes from Monday, November 6, 2023 Meeting.

A motion was made by Wendy Meaux and seconded by Andi Liner approve the minutes. The chair called for a vote. The motion passed with the Board voting as follows:

Chair Doug Peck	Yes
Andi Liner	Yes
Celia Haley	Absent
Connie Wilder	Yes
Dax Flisowski	Yes
Jon Hill	Absent
Lowell Ogle	Yes
Tiffany Morisak	Yes
Wendy Meaux	Yes
Roger Ross	Yes
Amber Briggs	Yes

10. Discuss and Possibly Act Upon Election of Main Street Board Chairperson and Vice Chairperson for a Term of One Year

A motion was made by Tiffany Morisak and seconded by Lowell Ogle to re-elect Doug Peck as Chairperson and Andi Liner as Vice Chairperson. The chair called for a vote. The motion passed with the Board voting as follows:

Chair Doug Peck	No Vote
Andi Liner	No Vote
Celia Haley	Absent
Connie Wilder	Yes
Dax Flisowski	Yes
Jon Hill	Absent
Lowell Ogle	Yes
Tiffany Morisak	Yes
Wendy Meaux	Yes
Roger Ross	Yes
Amber Briggs	Yes

11. Discuss and Possibly Act Upon the Election of One Additional Board Member to the Executive Committee

A motion was made by Andi Liner and seconded by Lowell Ogle to elect Roger Ross as an additional Board Member to the Executive Committee. The chair called for a vote. The motion passed with the Board voting as follows:

Chair Doug Peck	Yes
Andi Liner	Yes
Celia Haley	Absent
Connie Wilder	Yes
Dax Flisowski	Yes
Jon Hill	Absent
Lowell Ogle	Yes
Tiffany Morisak	Yes
Wendy Meaux	Yes
Roger Ross	No Vote
Amber Briggs	Yes

12. Discuss and Possibly Act Upon Changes to the Transformation Strategy Work Plan

Leigh Linden reviewed with the Board the new Transformation Strategy Work Plan format that will be used in 2024.

13. Discuss and Consider Approval of 2024 Board Meeting Dates

A motion was made by Roger Ross and seconded by Wendy Meaux to approve the 2024 Board Meeting Dates. The chair called for a vote. The motion passed with the Board voting as follows:

Chair Doug Peck	Yes
Andi Liner	Yes
Celia Haley	Absent
Connie Wilder	Yes
Dax Flisowski	Yes
Jon Hill	Absent
Lowell Ogle	Yes
Tiffany Morisak	Yes
Wendy Meaux	Yes
Roger Ross	Yes
Amber Briggs	Yes

13. Administrative Updates

a. New Main Street Businesses

➤ **None**

b. Updates from Elected Officials

➤ **None**

c. Other Updates

- **Late night noise coming from downtown venues and how to address the problem.**
- **On-going parking constraints and how to address the issue.**

Next Board Meeting – February 5, 2024

Adjourn

There being no further business, Roger Ross motioned to adjourn. Lowell Ogle seconded. Doug Peck adjourned the meeting at 4:49 pm.

Doug Peck

Chair

ATTEST:

Leigh Linden

Main Street Manager