

# MAIN STREET ADVISORY BOARD

MINUTES – June 19, 2020

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**Present:** Helen Belcher, Laura Bruns, Gaye Clements, Sandra Gray, Michelle Lyons

**Staff:** Tammy Gann, Tracy Chappell, Sarah Faulkner

**Guests:** John Smither

**Absent:** Cheryl Spencer, Heike Ness, Caroline Crimm, Weslie Gray

**Belcher called the meeting to order at 12:32pm.**

**Consideration and possible action on approval of February 21, 2020 minutes.**

MOTION WAS MADE TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FOR FEBRUARY 21, 2020  
LYONS/BRUNS/UNANIMOUS

**Main Street Coordinator Report:** Chappell gave update on the following:

- Sarah Faulkner joining as Ex Officio
- Weslie Gray to replace Bert Lyle as he has joined City Council
- Accreditation report and feedback from the state
- Film Friendly Texas program and process
- Huntsville First
- Fire Marshalls will be making rounds downtown again
- CenterPoint gas line project starting soon
- 12<sup>th</sup> St. grant project scheduled to begin July 6
- Asphalt Art and Community Enhancement grants both on hold, moving forward with purchasing new banners
- Still working to determine plans for fall events

**Committee Reports:**

- Promotions Committee – have not met since COVID
- DBA – Sip & Shop event on second Saturday in June, July, and August
- Cultural District Committee – have not met recently

**Consider Emily DeMilliano's Historic Restorations & Improvements Grant**

MOTION WAS MADE TO REDIRECT THE PROJECT BACK TO THE HUNTSVILLE ARTS COMMISSION  
S. GRAY/LYONS/UNANIMOUS

**Consider approval of a networking membership to promote local businesses and engage visitors**

MOTION WAS MADE TO PURSUE A PARTNERSHIP WITH THE DISTRX NETWORKING APP  
LYONS/GAYE/UNANIMOUS

**Discuss downtown improvements**

**Public Comments:**

John Smither spoke on the following items

- Thankful for the continued support of downtown
- Excited to hear about the prospects for the Historic Restorations & Improvements Grant

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**Items of Interest:**

None

**There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 1:23pm**