### **MINUTES**

July 2,2024

6:15PM

#### Auburn Public Library

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Members Present: B. Outwater, C. Whitehead, T. Nix, M. Williams, S. Long, M. Brown, S. Barber

City Officials/Staff: S. Waters, R. Rocquemore

## **CALL TO ORDER**

Call to Order 6:16 pm

# **OLD BUSINESS**

1. Approval of Minutes: June 4, 2024

Action Taken: Motion to approve minutes from 6/4/24 Meeting

C. Whitehead

Yes

M. Williams

Abstained not present last month

T. Nix

Yes (1st Motion)

S. Long

Yes

M Brown

Yes (2<sup>nd</sup> Motion)

S. Barber

Yes

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

# 1. Georgia Municipal Association Conference Update

Councilman TJ Sisk was in attendance at this conference and joined our Meeting by Google. The theme: Entrepreneur Friendly Cities. It encouraged drawing Small Business into the city, stating its importance in Creating jobs, building wealth, helping unemployment and increasing income in Cities. Georgia has great

momentum to start new business. We came away with Thinking about creating a town slogan and thinking about incentives for Businesses in our area.

#### 2. Main Street Report

Given by S. Waters,

The 4th of July was well attended and fantastic.

June's Food Truck Friday was successful

September's Food Truck Friday will be Wrestling again. Budget should cover it

October's Car Show would like to hire a band; this is expensive, and they ask

For money assistance. \$500

Jeep Fest needs portable potties. Asked for \$500

Farmer's Market attendees are enjoying the music during the day. Asked for \$500 `to hire Performers.

Motion made to give S. Waters an extra \$2000 for downtown functions,

C, Whitehead

Yes

T. Williams

Yes {2<sup>nd</sup> Motion}

T. Nix

Yes

S. Long

Yes

M. Brown

Yes {1st Motion}

S. Barber

Yes

M. Williams asked to do her annual Fashion Show; October 12<sup>th</sup> date was picked. She asked to use the Poole Building for Dressing and the Caboose for Sound.

# 3. Whistlestop Shop Update

Given by S. Waters

There has been a resquest for a service call for \$307

Sparkling Mermaid one month behind

Kelly Shirley one month behind

Hue Graphic \$1800 behind

All shops are full

S. Waters will schedule a ribbon-cutting for Sparkling Mermaid and the Car Wash BP Station,

# 4. Poole Building/Old PD Update

We received a new Draft of proposed Downtown

Doners are lined up

Board of 5 people from City Council, DDA, and Firm

\$10 to \$12 million

2 years to complete

Would retain a lease for 99 years {Jack said a 50-year lease may be plenty}

We will need to sign a letter of intent

We could not talk to anyone relse for 4 months

Next step would be to meet with City Council, July 18th was picked.

Some areas will need to be put in DDA control

# 5. Training

S. Barber and M. Brown need complete training

Thomasville Training is available through the Georgia Municipal Association

S. Water and C. Whitehead have asked to go

Motion to approve \$2000 for S. Waters and C, Whitehead to attend the Georgia Municipal Association Training

C. Whitehead Yes

M. Williams Yes

T. Nix Yes (1st Motion)

S. Long Yes

M. Brown Yes (2<sup>nd</sup> Motion)

S. Barber Yes

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Next Meeting August 6, 2024

#### **ADJOURN**

Motion made to Adjourn

C. Whitehead Yes

M. Williams Yes

T. Nix Yes (1st Motion)

S. Long

M. Brown

S. Barber

Yes

Yes (2<sup>nd</sup> Motion)

Yes

Respectfully Submitted

Attest

Susan Long

Secretary

Bel Outwater

Chair