

Meeting Minutes

City of Newnan
Downtown Development Authority
Friday, August 16th, 2024
8:00 am – Newnan City Hall
25 Lagrange Street- Council Chamber Room

Members Present: Keith Brady, Valerie Dumas, Ashley Keeley, Martha Ann Parks, Casey Smith

Members Absent: Brant Frost & Graylin Ward

Staff Present: Abigail Strickland

The meeting was called to order at 8:00am.

The previous meeting minutes were reviewed by the Authority. Keith Brady made a motion to accept the meeting minutes from the previous meeting as presented to the Authority. Valerie Dumas seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Abigail Strickland presented the Financial Report to the Authority, noting the following account balances:

- i. BOZ primary: \$13,311.60
- ii. MMI: \$86,541.75
- iii. YTD Income: \$43,568.05
- iv. YTD Expense: \$38,973.36
 - 1. Net Income: \$4,594.69

Abigail Strickland reported that the Wadsworth Alley project is nearing completion. However, a delay occurred due to an adjacent property owner installing a patio without proper permission. The situation is currently being resolved, and the project is expected to be completed soon.

Abigail Strickland reminded the Authority members of the mandatory annual training. Staff has organized a field trip to Rome, GA, following the September DDA meeting. This trip will allow members to explore Rome's new River District and upper-story development, fulfilling the annual training requirement for those who attend. For members unable to participate in the field trip, a list of upcoming training opportunities has been provided.

Abigail Strickland introduced the idea of placing a photo booth within the district and asked the Authority to suggest possible locations. The photo booth could generate passive income, with 20% of sales being returned to the Authority. The booth will be provided at no cost. Once suitable locations are identified, staff will coordinate with Newnan Utilities to ensure access to necessary power. Keith Brady suggested that staff present the proposal to City Council to request permission for sidewalk use.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:16am.

Next Meeting:
Wednesday, September 11, 2024
8:00 am – Newnan City Hall
25 Lagrange Street- Council Chamber Room