

**MAIN STREET HISTORICAL ADVISORY COMMISSION
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2008, 4:00 P.M.
CONFERENCE ROOM, 200 W. SECOND STREET, FREEPORT, TEXAS 77541**

PRESENT:

Marjorie Clark Pixie Floyd Sandra Barbree Jan Goines

Sandra Wood-Wicke

ABSENT:

Sandra Leavey Sandra Shaw

President Marjorie Clark called the meeting to order at 4:05 p.m.

Visitors: Nat Hickey, Brent Boles, and Lila Lloyd were welcomed.

Council Liason: Jim Saccomanno

Minutes: No minutes available for approval.

Main Street Manager's Report: Mary Stotler reported that training was held last week. March 11- Robert Johnson EDC person for THC Main Street will address board and go over the various aspects on the importance of economic development programs.

Discussion regarding Mardi Gras Masquerade Ball: Follow-up discussion was held regarding the Mardi Gras Ball. There were a few problems with this years event, however, people in attendance stated that they had a good time. The event raised approximately \$3,000.

Discussion concerning Historic Overlay District: Mary Stotler provided information to the board regarding establishing a Historic Overlay District. Other meetings will be held to go into further detail in discussing what is needed towards the board working to establish this district.

Consideration on moving forward with Green Market plans: Discussion was held regarding plans for having a Green Market. This market is modeled after a farmers market and will have fresh, locally grown produce as well as handmade crafts and recycled items. Some concern was expressed about whether or not we would have enough participation to make the market a success other than Paul Parret, a vendor who has requested this Green Market. Board decided that we would give it a try. Sandra Leavey will coordinate and work with vendors who wish to participate. A meeting was held on 02-05-08 of the economic restructuring committee for planning for the green market. It was decided that flyers will be made, meeting to be held downtown at the fountain on 2/23 at 10:00 a.m., begin advertising on 3/2, begin Green Market on 4/19, continue every Saturday from 8 til noon and Tuesday from 4 to 7 p.m. It will be

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promoted at Flapjack Run on 4/26 as well. A charge of \$1.00 per vendor per session will be charged. Location will be on Broad Street between Cherry Street and the alley behind W. Park.

Discussion on possible Main Street information dinners/meetings for public:

Discussion was held in regards as to Main Street hosting some informational dinners/meetings to give the public more information as to our Main Street program, what we do, and the need for volunteers. It was decided that more planning would need to be done and bring this idea back to the board at a later meeting. No action was taken.

Set workshop date to refine 2008-2009 work plan: No date set.

Committee Members: No reports given. Discussion concerning designating committee members for the following: Design, Economic Restructuring, Organization, Promotion, and Historical. Need to work towards getting volunteers to make up these committees.

Next Meeting: Next meeting date is scheduled for March 11, 2007.

Meeting adjourned at 5:22 p.m.