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MAIN STREET HISTORICAL ADVISORY COMMISSION  
MINUTES FOR TUESDAY, JUNE 9, 2009  
CONFERENCE ROOM, 2<sup>ND</sup> FLOOR, 200 W. SECOND STREET, FREEPORT TEXAS  
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Members present:

DR. JAN GOINES *President*  
PIXIE FLOYD *Vice president*  
LANCE OLSHOVSKY  
NAT HICKEY  
LILA LLOYD  
MARJORIE CLARK

Mary Lee Stotler *Main Street Manager*

Members absent:

SANDRA BARBREE  
SANDRA WOOD-WICKE  
SANDRA LEAVEY

**Meeting called to order at 4:10**

- 1 Recognize visitors: Bob Bass, Grady Pennington, Sharon Rogers, Beverly Nixon.
- 2 Approval of last meeting minutes: Motion by Hickey, second by Floyd. All approved.
- 3 Citizens' comments: Mr. Bass said that the biggest issue facing the downtown area is abandoned and derelict buildings. He wants stronger code enforcement to force building owners to make repairs. He also said the Main Street Board should enforce term limits. Mr. Bass also commented that downtown park maintenance has deteriorated and that the park is not in good condition any more.
- 4 Mrs. Nixon spoke about the background of the paint grant for the Schuster House and why more money was needed to complete the project. Mrs. Rogers spoke about using a professional colorist who chose the paint colors. Field will be crisp white with dark green shutters and khaki accents. Clark made the motion to donate \$688 to the Brazosport Historical Society for the purchase of paint for the Schuster House. Olshovsky seconded. All approved.
- 5 Action on grant revisions was tabled. Floyd said that grant applications should be completed as written.
- 6 Prioritization of projects was tabled. Mr. Bass would like to see at least 5 abandoned properties chosen to target for rehab.
- 7 The following board members are up for renewal: Barbree, Goines, Leavey, Lloyd. Goines indicated that she may drop off the board at the end of her term so that she can better fulfill her work responsibilities.
- 8 Main Street manager's report: Melanie Oldham contacted Main Street about a "Friends of the Marina" group she would like to form. Anyone interested should contact the Main Street office. Mary contacted TXDoT regarding signs for downtown. TXDoT will review map and respond. Mary created Facebook page for Main Street. Council has approved \$20,000 in HOT funds for the blues festival.
- 9 Committee reports:
  - a. Design: No report
  - b. Economic restructuring; Meeting held downtown in park on Friday was successful with about 12 people in attendance. The committee will continue to move forward.
  - c. Organization: No report
  - d. Promotion: Working on blues festival promotions, Facebook, etc.
  - e. Historical: The museum project is moving forward. Oral History Day on May 23<sup>rd</sup> was a big success with about 30 people in attendance. More will follow. Committee is trying to decide how to deal with flooring issues.
- 10 Move to adjourn: Hickey, second by Lloyd. All approved. Meeting adjourned at 5:24 PM

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