



Friends of Rosa Parks Square Board Committee Meeting

January 11, 2024 | 12:00 PM
700 Poplar Street Macon, GA 31201

AGENDA

1. Call to Order
2. Approval of Minutes
 - A 11-09-2023 Minutes
3. Old Business
4. New Business
 - A Funding Sources Work Session
5. Adjournment

**FRIENDS OF ROSA PARKS SQUARE BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
November 9, 2023 – 12:00 P.M.
BOC Conference room**

Members Present

Andrea Cooke, Chair
Alex Morrison
Jim Beall
Erin Keller
Jeremy Grissom
Ivey Hall
Susannah Maddux
Clarence Thomas

Staff Present

Adrianna Beavers, Assistant County Attorney
Sheila Griggs, Deputy Clerk of Commission

Others Present

Liz Fabian, CCJ

Members Absent

Janeen Andrews
George Muhammad, Vice Chair
Bob Fickling
Jonathan Barton

Media Present

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Andrea Cooke called the meeting to order at 12:24 p.m.

2. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

On motion of Jim Beall, seconded of Alex Morrison and carried unanimously, the minutes of September 14, 2023 were approved.

3. **OLD BUSINESS**

The Board continued discussion of removing the water wall from the park plans. They tossed around ideas of other options like using a plaque wall instead of water and having water sounds playing.

4. **NEW BUSINESS**

A. Discuss potential opportunities for funding sources.

Andrea Cooke mentioned a work session in January to discuss funding sources, she will work closely with Alex Morrison for assistance.

The Board would like to move forward with funding ideas and not wait for SPLOST funds. The Board will seek grants that might be available to apply for.

B. Park Waiver for Macon Black Culture New Year's Ball Drop

On motion of Andrea Cooke, seconded of Erin Keller and carried unanimously, the Board approved giving a park waiver to Macon Black Culture to use the Rosa Parks Square Park for the 2024 New Year's Ball Drop.

The Board discussed selling hot chocolate during the 2024 New Year's Ball Drop. The Board is seeking volunteers to work at this event. Andrea Cooke will meet with Dr. Moffett to make sure that all funds raised will go towards the park funds and not general funds.

C. By-Law Review – Attendance

The Board made suggestions on how to approve attendance to the meetings. These changes were provided to Attorney Andrea Beavers to update the by-laws and bring them back to the board for a final review. Andrea Cooke will draft a letter to members regarding attendance. She will review it with the Attorney prior to mailing them out.

On motion of Alex Morrison, seconded of Susannah Maddux and carried unanimously, to ask the Attorney to make the suggested changes to the by-laws and bring it back for a final review at the next meeting was approved.

D. Scheduled Monthly Meetings

The Board decided not to change the monthly meeting day and time. The Board will continue with the set schedule and revisit the idea in March 2024.

5. **AJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 12:48 p.m.

Respectfully submitted.

Sheila F. Griggs
Deputy Clerk County Commission