

**FRIENDS OF ROSA PARKS SQUARE COMMISSION
AMENDED MEETING MINUTES
November 14, 2019 – 4:00 P.M.
Government Center
Board of Commissioners' Conference Room**

The Regularly Scheduled Meeting for the Friends of Rosa Parks Square Commission was held on November 14, 2019 at 4:00 P.M. in the Board of Commissioners' Conference Room at the Government Center.

Members Present

Nancy Cleveland, Community Foundation of Central Georgia, Chair
George Muhammad, KCAC, Inc., Vice Chair
Jim Beall, Beall Financial Planning, Inc.
Jack Ellis, Former Mayor
Louie Hargrove, Community Activist
Dr. Carmalita Dillard, Bibb County Board of Education
Sarah Hunt, Middle Georgia National Action Network
Jean Bragg, Travis Jean
Kunj Patel, Kunj Construction & Development
Alex Morrison, MBC Urban Development Authority

Media Present

Liz Fabian, Mercer University Center for Collaborative Journalism

Staff Present

Janice Ross, Clerk of Commission
Kaye Cleveland, Recording Secretary
Michael McNeill, Senior Assistant County Attorney

Others Present

Jay Scott, Greenrock Partners

Members Absent

All members were present

Ms. Nancy Cleveland called the meeting to order.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On motion by Mr. Kunj Patel, seconded by Mr. Jim Beall and passed unanimously, the minutes from the Special Called Meeting on October 29, 2019 were approved.

FACEBOOK PAGE

Ms. Cleveland opened discussion regarding the Friends of Rosa Parks Square Facebook Page. The rules for the Facebook Page created by Mr. Jim Beall were presented to board members. Ms. Hunt discussed further drinking is Rosa Parks Square was a concern. Legislation was

presented to the group stating drinking was prohibited. The group did not come to a consensus regarding establishment of a Facebook Page, but agreed all board members would be able to edit the page. On motion by Mr. Beall, seconded by Mr. Muhammad and passed unanimously, creation of a Friends of Rosa Parks Square Facebook Page was tabled.

OPEN DISCUSSION

Ms. Cleveland started discussion regarding establishing the mission, vision and values of the Friends of Rosa Parks Square Commission. The group was given information regarding what each item entailed. Members were asked to draft a mission statement and compose statements regarding the vision and values for said commission. Everyone was advised the Board would vote to adopt the mission, values and vision for the committee at the December 2019 Meeting.

Former Mayor C. Jack Ellis prompted discussion regarding park designs. Mr. Morrison informed the Board park designs had been finalized. Group members began to discuss funding to complete improvements to the park. Ms. Cleveland advised the group applying for grant funding would be the best strategy to raise money for park improvements. Former Mayor C. Jack Ellis suggested the Board should also see county backed funding to help with said improvements. Mr. Michael McNeill advised the Board regarding pending legislation regarding funding and park design plans.

Mr. McNeill discussed the Georgia Open Records Act with the group and informed them any actions they made as board members, documents presented and information sent using personal email accounts would subject said email accounts to be searched by Macon-Bibb County's IT Department in the event of an Open Records Request. Group members discussed receiving county email accounts to discuss business matters related to the Friends of Rosa Parks Square Commission.

ADJOURNMENT

Board members were informed the next meeting would take place on December 12, 2019 at 4pm. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Kaye Cleveland
Recording Secretary