MAIN STREET MUSKOGEE, INC.
Board of Directors' Meeting
July 7th & 11th, 2017

MINUTES From July 7th Special Session

PRESENT: Max Boydstun, Melony Carey, Greg Eby, Dylan Lucht, Jon Shaw, Lynne Wallis, John Newby, Jake Smith, Mike Martin, Sue Vanderford

ABSENT: Brandon Garner (work meeting), Kerry Keane, Erica Tucker-Garrett, Bob Wickizer, Nicholas Weeks, Al Stevens

GUEST(S): None

Chair John Newby called the meeting to order at 12:00. John turned time over to Dylan Lucht of the Executive Director search team.

Dylan explained that after a long search, John Newby presented a proposal that if accepted by the executive team and board would have him stepping down as the Publisher of the Phoenix and accepting the role of CEO/Executive Director of Main Street Muskogee. After completing the interview process and discussing the potential plan and time-line, the executive decided to move forward with the proposal. It was determined that if approved by the board, it would proceed in a quiet fashion allowing notification of John's employers and the Phoenix staff.

Dylan asked for a motion accepting the plan with John Newby becoming CEO/Executive Director. Motion made by Max Boydstun, seconded by Jake Smith with the entire board present voting affirmative unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 1:05PM.

Minutes from July 11, 2017 Regular Session

Present: Max Boydstun, Melony Carey, Greg Eby, Dylan Lucht, Jon Shaw, Jake Smith, Lynne Wallis, John Newby, Sue Vandrford, Nickolas Wilks, Kerry Keane, Brandon Garner

Absent: Bob Wickizer, Al Stevens

Guest – Roy Tucker, Gary Garvin, Josh Cotton

Chair John Newby called the meeting to order at 12;00PM

Approval of June 5, 2017 Board Minutes

Greg Eby moved for approval and Max Boydstun seconded the motion.

No Executive Director Report of Financials as Lee Ann Langston was not in attendance

Item 1 – Roy Tucker and Gary Garvine updated and explained the process of creating the new downtown Urban Renewal Area which may lead to a TIF district at some point in the near future as well.

Item 2 – Committee Reports - Organization Committee updated on the pending partnership drive.
Design & Economic Resurgence had no report
Promotions & Events – updated the Art Crawl & offer by Love Bottling to provide drinks for all our events
Marketing & Communications – updated board on Logo contest and Website – more to come in Aug.

Item 3 - Partnership Drive Update – John provided an update on the pending drive with various brochures, flyers and so forth.

Item 4 - Downtown Voice – John provided the latest copy for the board.

Item 5 - Tabled until August in Lee Ann absence.

Item 6 - Downtown Parking Discussion – Various options were discussed as to what to recommend to the City for enforcement – the city will follow the Main Street lead.

Item 10 New Business

There being no New Business, Mr. Newby adjourned the meeting at 1:20 p.m until August 8th at 12:00PM.