



# HISTORIC TOWN OF EATONVILLE, FLORIDA HISTORIC PRESERVATION BOARD MEETING MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, February 13, 2025, at 1:00 PM

Town Hall (Council Chamber) - 307 E Kennedy Blvd. 32751

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**CALL TO ORDER:** Chair Rosa Pickett called the meeting to order at 1:02 p.m.

**ROLL CALL:** Quorum was established by roll call through Mrs. Veronica King

**PRESENT:** (4) Chair Rosa Pickett; **Board Members:** Ann Dawkins-Curtis; Jane Turner; John Beachum arrived after roll call (**Absent:** Vice Chair LaDwyana Jordan-did not connect by zoom, Laverne Bellamy Williams)

**STAFF:** (1) Veronica King, **Town Clerk**

**INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Ann Dawkins-Curtis led the invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

**CITIZEN PARTICIPATION:** There were no citizens to participate during citizen participation

**BOARD DISCUSSION:** **\*\*No Board Actions, just discussion only\*\***

(**Handouts:** An updated contact list for the Historic Board)

Post Board Training – Reflection on Board Powers, Duties, and mapping out the next steps for the historic board was discuss. Training Feedback: need to follow up on the grant funding and meeting deadlines. How do the board accomplish developing the grant and meeting the deadlines, in response staff is here to support, the town has a grant coordinator who would be instrumental in processing through the grants, making sure deadlines and requirements are met; April 2025 is and identified application deadline, interested in a grant for strategic planning and surveying the district. The training was good but the initial training, discussed grants for the training, consider national grant. Tyler Smith has been sending emails of notices and meetings (an accessible contact for the board), want to know about meetings that the board can attend; have a completed list of contacts for the historic preservation board members; need to update the ordinance (put on the next agenda); bring another ordinance from another municipality as a comparison, the State of Florida can help to identify municipalities similar to Eatonville; Tyler Smith, Kyra Lucas, and Melissa Jest are resources to the board; would like an update on the Master Plan; the board has to be active and may want to designate someone (Ann Curtis was designated by consensus) on the board who would follow up and make the calls to Mr. Tyler Smith and coordinate with Mr. McGee (information can be sent to the board members through the town clerk or Mr. McGee to not violate the Sunshine Law). Questions: What are the grants; What are the deadlines; have further discussion at a regular or special meeting; meeting can be coordinator through the clerk's office.

(NY Nathiri) - grant deadlines are very important and suggest the board consider a grant for strategic planning to help the board decide in which order to apply for grants, can get information by calling 1-

800-847-4222, would be willing to help; recommend that the board determine who is going to call the State of Florida, not the planner, the designee will engage with the staffer who will walk you through the process.

**STAFF COMMENTS:**


Veronica King, Town Clerk - Provided an updated contact list for the current board; welcome to John Beachum as the new appointed alternate.

**BOARD COMMENTS:**

John Beachum – Inquired about reviewing and changing the ordinance (to change an ordinance will require two readings before the town council – request for legal to be present).

**ADJOURNMENT** Chair Rosa Pickett adjourns meeting. **Meeting Adjourned at 1:50 P.M.**

**Respectfully Submitted by:**



**Veronica L King, Interim Town Clerk**