

**Henderson-Vance Downtown Development Commission
Board Meeting Minutes
August 16, 2018 at 3:00 pm**

Attending: Paylor Spruill, Daniel White, Phil Lakernick, Ron Cava, Paul Harvin, Alice Sallins, Dennis Jarvis, Corey Williams, Phil Hart, Benny Finch, Tanya Weary, Yolanda Feimster, Patti McAnally, Kaine Riggan

Guests: Liz Parham, Chuck Halsall, Sherry Adams

Absent: Maria Bailey, Brian Paynter, Marcus Barrow, Daniel Hendley, John Barnes, Eddie Ellington, Gordon Wilder, Amanda Walker Ellis, Becky Matthews

The board reviewed the July minutes and unanimously approved them upon a motion by Phil and a second by Paul. The board reviewed the financial report ending 7/31/18 and unanimously approved it upon a motion by Dennis and a second by Alice.

Kaine shared with the board that Paul Harvin has volunteered to serve as chair following Maria Bailey's resignation in August. Then Dennis Jarvis nominated Benny Finch as well. Paylor Spruill requested a balloted vote. The vote went 6-6 with Patti abstaining. Upon a motion by Paylor and a second by Paul, the group agreed to **table the election of a chair** until the September meeting.

Kaine has been working with a focus group led by Tommy Roberson to fund the DDC in the future using a **prepared meal tax of 1%**. A 2010 report showed that could bring \$500k annually in Vance County. Paylor shared with the group that he and Frank Frazier had met with a state legislator aside from the DDC about this tax.

The staff from the NC Main Street office discussed the **Main Street requirements** and time line with the board. The meeting adjourned at 5:00.