

City of Helen

Planning, Design and Review Board

P. O. Box 280

Helen, GA 30545



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Tuesday, August 13, 2024 Planning and Design Review Board Agenda

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PDRB Secretary:

Jonah Casper

PDRB Chairman:

Wanda McAllister

Board Members:

David Greear

Randy Summers

Ralph Hofer

Bruce Pomeroy

Chris Williams

Dona K. Burke

1. Call meeting to order
2. Approval of the Agenda
3. Approval of minutes from previous meeting
4. Sign Submittals
 - a. “Silver Lining” is requesting approval for a new sign for their business at 8660 N Main St.
 - b. “Mountain’s Best” is requesting approval for a new sign that is larger than the one that is currently placed outside of their business at 8016 S Main St.
 - c. Helen Fun Factory / “Hell N Helen” is requesting approval for a new sign for their haunted house on 115 Escowee Dr.
 - d. Erin Buckalew is requesting approval for a sign for the new business called “Helen Huggables” at 8580 N Main St.
 - e. Erin Buckalew is requesting approval for a sign for the business “Alpine Christmas” at 8635 N Main St.

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The PDRB met on Tuesday, August 13, 2024 at Helen City Hall with chairman Linda McAllister calling the meeting to order at 9:00 am. Board members present were Bruce Pomeroy, Dona Burke, Randy Summers, Ralph Hofer, and David Greear.

Approval of the agenda was motioned by Dona Burke and second by Bruce Pomeroy. This motion was approved by all members present.

Approval of the minutes recorded from the previous meeting was made by Dona Burke and second by David Greear. This motion was approved by all members present.

Signs

- a. "Silver Lining" submitted a sign for approval that was approved. The motion to approve came from David Greear and was second by Bruce Pomeroy.
- b. "Mountain's Best" submitted a sign that after some discussion, was ultimately denied due to the sign having too much wording and not enough artistic design. The motion to deny was made by Bruce Pomeroy and second by David Greear.
- c. The Helen Fun Factory requested approval for a sign for their haunted house attraction that was ultimately denied/tabled to the next meeting due to a fear of the name of the attraction being controversial (Hell in Helen). Motion to deny the request was made by Ralph Hofer and second by Dona Burke.

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d. Erin Buckalew submitted a sign for approval for “Helen Huggables” that was approved. The motion to approve was made by David Greear and second by Dona Burke.

e. Erin Buckalew submitted a second sign for “Alpine Christmas” that was ultimately denied due to a lack of information about the sign’s dimensions and location. The motion to deny was made by Dona Burke and second by Ralph Hofer.

Adjourn

The meeting was called to be adjourned at 9:48 am by David Greear and was second by Ralph Hofer. Prior to the meeting being adjourned, the board met and discussed a few of the items from the previous workshop before they are brought to the commission for possible changes. No official business was conducted during this period.

APPROVED BY:

Linda McAllister

CHAIRPERSON:

Linda McAllister

8-13-24
DATE

PREPARED BY:

Jonah Casper

BUILDING AND ZONING ADMINISTRATOR:

Jonah Casper

8-13-2024
DATE