



**Board Members**

Executive Committee

Mike Chastain, Chair, At large (6/22-2024)

Vice Chair, Vacant (3/23-2025)

Treasurer, Vacant (6/22-2024)

Vacant, Secretary

Vacant (6/22-2024)

Vacant, MSD

Vacant (3/23-2025)

Vacant (3/23-2025)

Vacant (10/23-2025)

Jeremy Whitfield, MSD (9/23-2025)

Cathy Reese, At Large (22-2024)

Ex Officio

Rhonda Barwick, City Manager

Gregg Hannibal, LCCSBC

Vacant, Chamber

Elizabeth Blount, City Planning Director

Robbie Swinson IV, City Council

Adam Short, County

New Members to fill vacancies: Kristal Suggs, Sammy Aikens, Althea Simmons, Bill Ellis, Steve Miller, Stephen Hill, Jon Clemmons, Trey Cash

Leon Steele, Downtown Revitalization Director and City Department Head

**Vision Statement:**

Downtown Kinston is revitalizing itself through broad-based economic development by utilizing its architectural and cultural assets so as to revitalize the historic commercial district while stimulating downtown business and community growth.

**Committee Chairs**

**Organization**

Vacant

**Events/Promotion**

Vacant

**Design**

Vacant

**Economic Vitality**

Vacant

**Special Meeting**

Wednesday January 17, 8:30AM

KEC Conf Rm

**Board Meeting**

Thursday January 25, 5:30PM, Library

**Mission Statement:**

The mission of Downtown Kinston Revitalization is to spearhead historic commercial district revitalization using the Main Street approach that promotes economic development within the context of historic preservation.

**REVITALIZING THE HEART OF LENOIR COUNTY**

**January 2024**

**AGENDA**  
**Board of Directors Meeting**

**January 25, 5:30PM, Library**

Please submit proposed agenda items to the Board Chair one week prior to the meeting for consideration at the upcoming meeting.

Committee Reports are also required and should include committee volunteer hours.

Financials, Committee Reports and any supporting documents must be submitted to the Executive Director no later than COB the Monday of the week of the meeting for inclusion in the agenda packet.

**Call to order**.....Chair Mike Chastain

**Roll Call** .....Secretary

**Motion to Adopt the Agenda** .....Chair Mike Chastain

*If a Board member wishes to revise the agenda, the motion to add or delete an item will be entertained prior to Adoption of the Agenda.*

Motion/Second

**Guest Comments**.....Chair Mike Chastain

*(read the following statement before comments are received)*

**Guest Comments:** Guests must sign in prior to the start of the meeting if they wish to address the Board. Guest should state their name and address prior to beginning their comments and may speak up to 3 minutes. Guests seeking assistance or asking questions will be contacted by a member of the Board or other appropriate DK staff. The Chair may limit this portion of the meeting to 15 minutes in order to conduct regular business of the Board.

**MINUTES**

**Approval of Board Meeting Minutes**

**Note: June Minutes are included in this packet. July, August, and October Minutes were never transcribed and presented by interim secretary members. December Meeting was cancelled due to lack of a quorum.**

**June Minutes**

Motion/Second/vote

**October 26 Minutes**

Motion/Second/vote

**December 20 Minutes**

Motion/Second/Vote

**January 4, 2024 Special Meeting Minutes**

Motion/Second/Vote

**January 17, 2024 Special Meeting Minutes**

Motion/Second/vote

**Executive Committee Report**

**1. General Announcements**

- a. Welcome new Board members
- b. Board officers needed: Vice Chair, Secretary, Treasurer

- Election at February Meeting, if you are interested in serving as an officer please contact the Executive Director

**ACTION AGENDA (include brief explanations)**

- 1. Consider a Resolution Amending the Bylaws - reducing voting member number to minimum of 5, maximum of 7.  
Motion/Second/Vote

2. Consider quotes for KEC water damages repair to aid in sale of property  
Motion/Second/Vote
3. Consider motion to go into Closed Session to discuss the sale of real property.  
Motion/Second/Vote

**COMMITTEE REPORTS & Volunteer Hours**

**Please be brief in the interest of time**

Executive Committee .....Chair

Organizational Committee.....Vice Chair NA

Financial Report.....Treasurer

Secretary Report.....Secretary NA

Executive Director .....Leon Steele

Design .....Lara Tribula

Promotions/Events.....Vacant (Leon)

Economic Vitality .....Zac Holcomb NA

**New Business**

1. Water wagon costs for flowers and a solution
2. Elect Officers
3. Creating a budget for 2024-25 with new Treasurer
4. Strategic planning for 2024-25: What is set, in the pipeline, and moving forward