**2025 March City and County Report- Main Street**

**Meetings and Events**

March 1st Mardi Gras Celebration at AMP- Bouncy Houses, DJ, and Games. Good turn out.

March 3rd Earth Day Planning Meeting- MSB, Chamber, Visit Brownsville, Parks and Rec.

March 4th Protect Our Aquifer Meeting- Stanton

March 5-6th Main Street quarterly training in Winchester TN- DIG Grants, Historic Design

March 6th – BUD installed Cafe lights in Alley

March 7th State of the Community Address

March 7th Meeting with Carter Ferrell at Alley to discuss lights/meter/electrical plugs

March 8th – Wall prep Marty Todd- Tina Turner and Sleepy John Estes Mural

March 10th USDA Zoom Call- Downtown Development Grant check list

March 10th County Budget Meeting

March 11th City Board Meeting- Presented Earth Day Festival

March 12th – IDB Meeting

March 13th – Planning Board Meeting

March 17th County Budget Meeting

March 18th Tourism Council Meeting- Branding for Brownsville

March 21st Boys and Girls Gala

March 22nd Marty Stoots finished with Tina Turner and Sleepy John Mural

March 24th Main Street Meeting- Alley plans/Earth Day Plans/ Ford thinks alley will be beneficial for giving potential hires places to sit while waiting on hiring/application process.

March 25th Ordered two benches for the Alley- $1350

March 25th Meeting with Sheree Douglas- Earth Day and Earth Day 5k prep/discussion

March 27 Planning Board

March 28th SWAG Luncheon – supporting Chamber of Commerce.

March 31st Welcome to the Square- Sammy Jean’s and Branded Cow horse

March 31st Earth Day Meeting- EMS help, Chamber, Visit Brownsville, Park and Rec.

**Grants/Reinvestment/Private/ Corporate Donations**

Steven Martin building painting- $10,000 left on Grant. One bid of $25,000+ to paint. John Allen Construction from Jackson will paint building to finish the grant. Painting is complete. Steven Martin will pay the balance between grant and bid- $15,000+. Grant will be closed out in April. $75,000+ dollars in total DIG money

Next round of Downtown Improvement Grants up to $500,000. Can apply in July, 2025.

* Ford- New commitment for 2025 $13,500,
* IDB Board $2590
* Teknor Apex -$3200

T-Mobile Grant- $4,600 left on murals. Marty Stoots finished Tina Turner mural on spring break.

Blue Oval SK

* Earth Day - $5,000
* Other Events-$3,000

Applied for $25,000 dollars from AARP Grant to fund alley seating and tables project.

Applied for $45,000 USDA grant to fund Downtown Redevelopment Plan

**Main Street Event Dates**

March 1st- Sponsored Mardi Gras with the Chamber, and Visit Brownsville

 March 22nd Mural is complete- Mardy Todd $12,500

April 26th- Earth Day. This is a first-time festival in conjunction with Hatchie Bird Fest, Art in the Alley, and the City Health Fair. Activities will be at the AMP, and around the square. We will have venders, food trucks, and a 5k run. We have 30 participants already. Ford at Blue Oval and Blue Oval SK are sponsors. Main Street along with the Chamber, Visit Brownsville, Parks and Rec., and City of Brownsville are co-sponsors.

June 14th- Classic Loop Ride. This is a first-time cycling event starting and ending at the AMP. The TN. Department of Tourism is promoting biking in West Tennessee. We are using the route that was developed by Bike TN. There will be approximately 5 miles in the Brownsville City limits with the rest of the course being in the county and going through Nutbush. 25/50 mile routes.

Future Events

* TBD-Good Neighbor Night
* August 22nd Luau at Serendipity
* TBD-Haywood in Haywood
* Dec. 6th Classic Christmas
* Dec.6th Christmas Parade