

Benton County Tourism and Recreation Corporation

July 18, 2023 – Warsaw Community Building Council Chambers

MEETING MINUTES

Suzie Brodersen
Susan Kyle
Brooke Daleske
Luke Johnson
JoAnn Lane

Christine Letcher
Sabrina Brown
Lisa Gladson
Jessica Kendall

Lynette Stokes, Executive Director

Meeting was called to order at 4:02 p.m.

Minutes from May 2023 meeting were reviewed and approved and motion was made by Letcher and seconded by Lane to approve minutes as presented. The motion was unanimously approved.

Administrative matters were discussed such as update on non-paying lodges & short-term rental properties and the proposal to hire a Contractor (Cheree Freeman) versus paying a part-time employee to do specific tasks. There was discussion to explore costs and recommendations of attorneys to proceed with collections of non-paying lodges through civil filings in addition to the criminal filings in progress.

Stokes gave updates on the Profit and Loss Statements for the period of May 2023 and June 2023 and the Balance Sheet as of June 30, 2023, and motion was made for acceptance of the financials by Kendall and seconded by Letcher. The motion was unanimously approved.

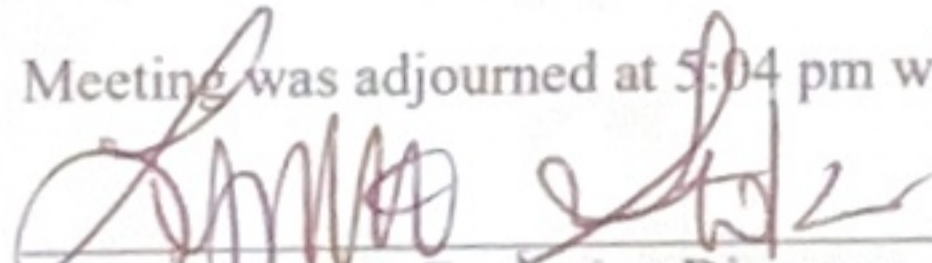
Stokes discussed updates on the Benton County Barn Quilt Trail, BCC/Whiteman Updates, Cole Camp Walking Tour brochure, Benton County Arts Fest, Smokin' HOT Harborfest and BBQ Competition, State Fair Booths (8/13 & 8/17) and sponsorships and volunteers needed for upcoming events.

There was no other business.

Closed session was called for by Suzie Brodersen to discuss Stokes' evaluation and salary.

The next Commission meeting will be held on **September 12, 2023 at 4pm** at the Warsaw Community Building (Council Chambers).

Meeting was adjourned at 5:04 pm with a motion by Lane and seconded by Kendall.



Lynette Stokes, Executive Director