

Benton County Tourism and Recreation Corporation

January 23, 2019 -Warsaw Community Building Council Chambers

MEETING MINUTES

Susan Kyle
Tim Blankinship
Christine Letcher
Marge Lumpe
Suzie Brodersen

Rick Renno
Mary Donnell Brown
Dorcas Brethower
Brooke Deleske
Ken Beyer

Lynette Stokes, Executive Director

Meeting was called to order at 4:05 p.m.

Minutes from November 15, 2018 meeting were reviewed and motion for acceptance by Letcher and seconded by Blankinship. The motion was unanimously approved.

Administrative matters were discussed such as non-paying lodging updates, the proposed increase in guest tax percentage and collection efforts for non-paying lodges and revisions to the current Ordinance BE-1-03-10 after review of an attorney. No motion required.

The proposal to include the BCTR website within the City of Warsaw's website was made and discussion followed with a motion for acceptance by Renno and seconded by Deleske. The motion was unanimously approved.

The 2019 Grant applications were reviewed and included the budgeted amount of \$6,339 to be distributed to approved organizations. Motion was made by Kyle to approve as recommended and seconded by Beyer. The motion was unanimously approved.

The Case for BCTR was reviewed with a recommendation to make public the 2019 proposed BCTR budget and 2018 actual numbers. Motion for acceptance was made by Brethower and seconded by Lumpe. The motion was unanimously approved.

The Financials were reviewed for the period January 1, 2018-December 31, 2018 and a motion was made to accept as presented by Daleske and seconded by Letcher. The motion was unanimously approved.

There were updates given by Stokes regarding past and upcoming events and efforts including the Building Local Prosperity Workshop, Kansas City Sports Show update, Pubs and Poker Event, St Louis Sports Show, Missouri Group Travel and Sports Travel Exchanges.

Osage Lakes Greenway update was given regarding the status of specific trail grants not being sufficient for the Butterfield Connection signage and the application for the BCTR grant proposal.

The next Commission meeting will be held on **March 21, 2019 at 4pm** at the Warsaw Community Building (Council Chambers).

Meeting was adjourned at 5:19 pm with a motion by Lumpe and seconded by Blankinship.

Lynette Stokes, Executive Director