

Benton County Tourism and Recreation Corporation

November 21, 2019 -Warsaw Community Building Council Chambers

MEETING MINUTES

Susan Kyle
Tim Blankinship
Christine Letcher
Marge Lumpe

Luke Johnson
Suzie Brodersen
Rick Renno
Brooke Deleske

Lynette Stokes, Executive Director

Meeting was called to order at 4:01 p.m.

Minutes from September 19, 2019 meeting were reviewed and motion for acceptance by Lumpe and seconded by Letcher. The motion was unanimously approved.

Administrative matters were discussed such as the 2020 BCTR Grant Application proposed revisions, of which the following recommendation was made in addition to the proposed revisions by Stokes: Include an initial line at the end that states "I understand that the applications will be scored by a committee comprised of BCTR Board members representing each town and that if the application does not score a minimum of 25 points or higher, that it will not be eligible for funding". Motion was made by Johnson to approve with revision and seconded by Lumpe. The motion was unanimously approved.

The 2020 Proposed Budget was submitted and discussion followed. Motion was made to approve the proposed budget by Letcher and seconded by Blankinship. The motion was unanimously approved.

The Financials were reviewed for the period September 19-November 21, 2019 and a motion was made to accept as presented by Letcher and seconded by Daleske. The motion was unanimously approved.

There were updates given by Stokes regarding past and upcoming events and efforts including the Governors Conference on Tourism in October, the Trulaske School of Business projects, the status of the hiring thru KBRPC of the economic developer in January, agri-tourism efforts and proposed 2020 BCTR events, including scheduled sports shows.

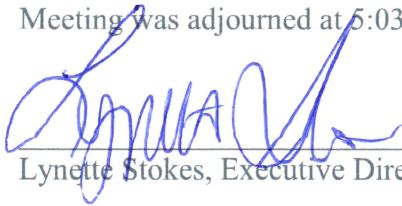
Under other business, Stokes mentioned that Cathy Beyer accepted the vacant board seat of Ken Beyer, which expired in October. Motion was made by the board to approve the filling of the vacant seat by Cathy Beyer by Kyle and seconded by Blankinship. The motion was unanimously approved.

Under other business, the status of non-paying lodges was discussed and specifically Lake Hills collection account that was submitted to the Prosecuting Attorney's office in May. Stokes suggested that the file be sent to a law firm for collection due to the importance of collection. Renno made a motion that if there is no action from the PA's office before the end of the year, to proceed with hiring an attorney for collection, Lumpe seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

Osage Lakes Greenway update was given regarding the Butterfield 60 race in October and the number of participants, as well as the entire county working together to make it successful.

The next Commission meeting will be held on **January 16, 2020 at 4pm** at the Warsaw Community Building (Council Chambers).

Meeting was adjourned at 5:03 pm with a motion by Lumpe and seconded by Letcher.



Lynette Stokes, Executive Director