

Minutes for Liberty Tourism and Convention Commission
June 1, 2023

Commissioner Meagan Klee called the meeting to order at 5:06. Klee was acting chairperson in John Rigney's absence.

Members present: T.J. Rayhill, Sandy Wolford, Meagan Klee, Lionel Long, Director Heather Cundiff, and Assistant Director Shelby Hatter

Guests present: Charlie VanLeuven, editor Casey County News, Carmella Clark, Cindy Board and Greg Goode

Klee called for approval of minutes from May meeting. Rayhill made a motion to amend the minutes to reflect "no action taken in executive session" and accept the minutes, Long seconded the motion. None opposed.

Heather Cundiff explained the treasurer's report (attached). She will arrange for an accountant to explain ARPA monies to the Commission. Cundiff will schedule a special called meeting for this explanation. Rayhill made a motion to accept the treasurer's report and Long seconded the motion. None opposed.

Shelby Hatter presented the Assistant Director's report (attached). She reported that there is a total of 28 vacation homes in Casey County.

Heather Cundiff presented the director's report (attached).

There was discussion about extending the deadline for the façade grant and increasing the number of grants to 15. Hatter will contact current grant recipients to update them. It was agreed that we will extend the deadline for 10 existing grant applications and there will be 12 more for the fiscal year July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2024. Rayhill made the motion to accept this amendment and Wolford seconded the motion. None opposed.

Greg Goode from the Casey County Fair Board submitted a grant request for \$9500 to aid with advertising for the upcoming Casey County Fair. Rayhill made the motion to fund the \$9500 as long as tabloids will not exceed 50% of the cost. Long seconded the motion and there were none opposed.

In Old Business, Wolford made the motion to approve the Apple Festival Grant for booth spaces for local people and organizations. Rayhill seconded the motion and there were none opposed. In New Business, the second reading of changing our by-laws to match the city's small purchase amount from \$20,000 to \$30,000 was reviewed. Rayhill made the motion to accept this change.

Long seconded the motion and none were opposed.

Update on Lanhamtown trail: Director Cundiff explained that there are 350 acres and we are in the exploring stage of this new project.

Rayhill made a motion to adjourn with Long seconding the motion. None opposed.
Next meeting will be July 6, 2023 at 5:00 pm at Liberty City Hall.

Respectfully submitted,
Sandy Wolford