

Minutes for Liberty Tourism and Convention Commission
September 7, 2023

Chairperson Luke Johnson called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm.

Members present: Johnson, Lionel Long, Sandy Wolford, Meagan Klee, TJ Rayhill and director Heather Cundiff.

Visitors present: Charlie VanLeuven, Harold Scott

Rayhill made a motion to accept the minutes with a correction to Luke's last name to be changed in the minutes from Wethington to Johnson. Klee seconded the motion. None opposed.

Director Cundiff presented the treasurer's report. Assistant Director Hatter was attending a training/conference. In her absence, Cundiff reviewed the Assistant Director's report. Cundiff also presented the director's report.

The sale of the Christmas lights, that had been given to tourism, was discussed. Matt Murphy with United Country Realty has agreed to handle the online sale of the lights. Tourism will be responsible for paying advertising costs. Director Cundiff will contact other tourism directors regarding the availability of the lights for purchase.

Purchasing banners for the bypass was next on the agenda. Discussion included purchasing for holidays and special events. Wolford made a motion to purchase Christmas banners and Rayhill seconded the motion. None opposed.

Next on the agenda: Façade grants are now available for fiscal year 2023-2024. It was determined that a cover sheet containing vital information was missing from the grant applications and possibly causing some confusion. Director Cundiff said that she would add the cover sheet to the online applications as well as the hard copies available in the office. Rayhill made a motion to accept Cundiff's recommendations to make the grants available to those who have already received grants during the first year they were available. Long seconded the motion. None opposed.

Director Cundiff presented information to the commissioners regarding downtown murals. Some of the building owners have contacted Cundiff regarding the use of their buildings for murals. No action taken.

Next scheduled meeting will be a special called meeting on October 12, 2023 at City Hall.

Rayhill made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Wolford seconded.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandy Wolford