

Tuesday, March 19th, 2024

The Rock Port Tourism Board met Tuesday, March 19th, 2024, at 6 pm at Rock Port City Hall. Members present were Holly Huntley, Mark Schoonover, Ashtyn Beatty, Thea Lewis, Emily Schulte, and Kate Curry. Charlie Clodfelter and Jody VanSickle were absent. No visitors present.

Meeting Agenda

Holly called the meeting to order at 6:06 pm.

Holly moved to approve the meeting agenda. Thea seconded.

Holly stated that she spoke to Angela Mace and she has her letter of resignation ready, but she hasn't dropped it off yet. Emily stated that Tami Lansdown submitted her resignation letter. There are 2 positions on the board open. Emily will look to see if there are any past applications.

Meeting Minutes & Financials

Holly moved to approve the February 27th, 2024 meeting minutes. Ashtyn seconded. All votes aye.

Kate moved to approve the February 2024 Financials. Mark seconded. All votes aye.

Projects & Events

2024 Superhero Bowl

This event is tabled for now.

Band Nights 2024

Holly was able to book bands as follows:

June 22nd will be High Heel at the Country Club.

August 17th will be Steven Bankey and the Flatland Band in the park, pending the correct permissions.

September 21st, after Old Fashioned Saturday Night, will be Mr. Sinister at the Country Club with an 80's theme.

Summer Palooza

The date for this is set for May 23rd, the last day of school for Rock Port. Holly booked Aaron Chaney for a DJ. It was decided that Holly will use the two bounce house companies from last year and that there will be no laser tag this year. There will be letters sent to businesses about donations for the gift bags. Emily will get those out ASAP.

4th of July

Emily will start pricing the glow items.

Christmas In July

Thea reported that if the Country Club is okay with the plan, they could be the start and end point for the poker run/parade. She will speak to the city and county police.

Midget Wrestling

Thea reported that the midget wrestlers that she has contacted do not work in the Midwest, but she is still looking.

Comedian

Kate reported that she has contacted a few comedians. The only one she has heard back from as of this meeting was Aaron Scarbrough. His fee is \$1300 and as of right now, he does have openings in November. We will give the other comedians time to respond and decide more next meeting.

Storage Unit

Emily stated there were only a few items in the storage area that belong to the Tourism Board. There are 6 Christmas wreaths that were for the Welcome to Rock Port signs, most of the wreaths have broken Christmas balls on them. There are 13 old metal light “majiggers” (banner enhancers) – it was decided that we will sell these. Emily is looking into a few other items to see who owns them for sure.

Turbine Blade

Kate reported that Mrs. Rueckert decided against this project for this year due to a recent knee surgery. Kate will check into the artist that painted murals in Tarkio and Fairfax. It was also discussed that we could table this item until next year if The Art Club would be interested in doing it then.

Other Business

Kate will approach her niece about making flyers and event calendars.

Emily stated she saw an interesting event called a Kid ran Vendor Fair – if she gets more information, she will present it to the board.

Thea stated she was approached about the Farmer’s Market. It was unclear what was needed, so Thea will talk to her contact. The board decided we are willing to help with it financially, but not with manpower as most of us don’t have the time.

Emily gave us the board’s mail, which included Thank You cards from Donna Budt, Delta Budt, and Jason Riley.

The next meeting is set for April 16th, 2024 6 pm at City Hall.

Meeting adjourned at 7:05 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Kate Curry
Tourism Board Secretary