

Tuesday, April 16th, 2024

The Rock Port Tourism Board met Tuesday, April 16th, 2024, at 6 pm at Rock Port City Hall. Members present were Holly Huntley, Charlie Clodfelter, Ashtyn Beatty, Kate Curry, and Jody VanSickle by phone until he arrived at 6:28 pm. Thea Lewis and Mark Schoonover were absent.

Meeting Agenda

Holly called the meeting to order at 6:11 pm.

Holly moved to approve the meeting agenda. Kate seconded.

There were two visitors present, Jeff Geib and Katey Kroeger. Jeff was present to observe. Katey presented an activity on behalf of the Theater Board. October 5th, 2024 they are having Old Market Magician and Band in the theater and an art show for area art departments in the downstairs of the Memorial Building. She asked for \$1000 towards paying for the band. Charlie motioned to approve the \$1000, Ashtyn seconded. All votes aye.

Tami Lansdown's letter of resignation was submitted. We would like to thank Tami for her years of service to this board! Your contributions are invaluable, and you will be missed!

There are two applications for the board's two open positions. The board will look into our bylaws before we make a final decision.

Meeting Minutes & Financials

Holly moved to approve the March 19th, 2024 meeting minutes. Charlie seconded. All votes aye.

Ashtyn moved to approve the March 2024 Financials. Charlie seconded. All votes aye.

Projects & Events

Band Nights 2024

Holly has received contracts from High Heel and Steven Banky and the Flatland bands. The Park Board had additional questions regarding the August 17th band in the park. They inquired about our desired location and our plan with alcohol. It was decided that the desired location is the large shelter house area and we would sell wrist bands for people to bring their own alcohol, barring any glass bottles. Holly asked that the board consider whether we want to take a cover charge and donate it back to the community somehow, like we did last year.

Summer Palooza

Holly received quotes from Carnival Times (\$8205) and A&M Amusements (\$3505) but has not reviewed them yet. She will review the quotes and eliminate an activity to fit the budget. Holly stated the Park Board did approve us using the park for the activity. Kate, Ashtyn, and Holly will work on getting the letters asking for contributions from local businesses distributed. Holly stated the Ministerial Alliance contacted her regarding their desire to provide the bottled water for the event. Charlie will check on the availability of the grill from last year.

Midget Wrestling

Thea reported that she is waiting to hear back from them. Tentative date is August 26th, 2024.

Comedian

Kate reported that she has heard back from two comedians. Aaron Scarborough quoted \$1300 for a 90 minute show and David Kousgaard quoted \$600 for a 90 minute show. Kate will send out a message in the group text feed so that all board members can see videos of David's show and give their input.

The next meeting is set for May 21st, 2024 6 pm at City Hall.

Meeting adjourned at 7:12 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Kate Curry
Tourism Board Secretary