

## Perry CVB Authority Meeting June 22, 2023

Absent Members: William McWilliams, Chris Patel, Lee Gilmour, Stephen Shimp

I. Chairman Mike Baker called the meeting to order at 4:03 PM

II. Citizens with Input: None

- III. Approval of May 25, 2023 Minutes. JJ Kirk moved to approve. Andrew Presswood seconded. Minutes were approved unanimously.
- IV. Unfinished Business: None
- V. New Business:
  - A. Chairman Baker encouraged those in attendance to introduce themselves to the new Board Members, and the new Board Members - Pansy Bryant, Dey Palmer, and William McWilliams (absent) - we're introduced.
  - B. A reimbursement request on behalf of The City of Perry for \$28,473.00 for May 2023. Megan Brent moved to approve. Trish Cossart seconded and the motion passed unanimously.
  - C. A motion was made to approve the adoption of the FY 2023-2024 Fiscal Year. Megan Brent moved to approve. JJ Kirk seconded the motion and the adoption was passed unanimously.

## VI. Committee Reports

A. Executive Committee: None

B. Finance: NoneC. Promotions: NoneD. Personnel: None

- E. Long Range Planning and Building & Grounds: Chairman Mike Baker provided an update that it had been brought to the Board's attention per the original building deed that should the building no longer operate as a Welcome Center, the property would divert back to the ownership of the City of Perry. A copy of the deed was provided to all Board Members and Chairman Baker stated that both the City Attorney and the CVB Attorney had reviewed the deed and agreed that the property would belong to the City of Perry after Visit Perry vacated the building to relocate the Welcome Center downtown. Chairman Baker informed the group that a meeting was scheduled to take place on June 29 between the CVB and the City of Perry to discuss the transition process. Anya Turpin offered to forward meeting invitations to any Board Members interested in attending.
- VII. Authority Member Items: Megan Brent provided an update on the Downtown Restaurant's recent Poker Crawl event, stating that the event was successful with all 50 tickets sold and multiple restaurants collaborating together to pull off the event.
- VIII. Executive Director Report

- A. Anya Turpin provided a presentation which highlighted recent and upcoming community and regional outreach efforts, as well as updates on the recent possession of the Mobile Welcome Center and ribbon cutting event.
- B. Anya Turpin suggested consideration for the future implementation of the "We Speak" program as a part of a larger mission to improve Visit Perry's efforts to support the local hospitality industry.
- IX. Chairman Items: None
- X. Community Partners
  - A. <u>Maggie Schuyler</u>provided general updates from Perry Area Chamber of Commerce events and initiatives such as Perry Restaurant Week. The Chamber of Commerce would be closed the week of the 4th of July in observance of Independence Day.
  - B. City of Perry Special Events Administrator Amy Harmon provided a general overview of upcoming City of Perry events including the new Independence Day Celebration.
- XI. Adjournment 5:25 PM