

## **Town of Franklin Tourism Development Authority Meeting**

November 12, 2019 – 5:30 p.m.

Present: Donnie Bishop, Tim Crabtree, Matt Holland, Candy Presley and Town Representative Travis Tallent.

Josh Drake, Connie Gruberman, and Cheryl Pullium were absent.

### **Approval of October 14, 2019 Board minutes**

**Motion was made by Presley, second by Bishop to approve the October 14, 2019 meeting minutes as presented.**

**Motion carried. Vote: 5 to 0.**

### **Financial Reports**

Travis Tallent presented the financial report for October, 2019. Report is attached.

**Motion was made by Crabtree, seconded by Bishop to accept the financial report as presented. Motion carried.**

**Vote: 5 to 0.**

### **Sub-Committee Reports**

Finance/Budget Chair – None.

Policy and Procedures – None.

Application Review chair – As follows

### **Old Business: Board Action on Funding Request for the Cowee Pottery School for \$3,000**

**Motion was made by Bishop, seconded by Crabtree to approve the funding request for \$3,000. Motion carried.**

**Vote: 5 to 0.**

### **Old Business: Board Action on Funding Request for Ruby Drop for \$2,100**

**Motion was made by Presley, second by Bishop to approve the funding request for \$2,100. Motion carried. Vote: 4 to 0. Crabtree recused himself.**

### **New Business: Funding Report for Folk Festival**

Tallent informed the board that the Funding Report for the Folk Festival was in the TDA packet for review.

### **Items from the Board**

Crabtree said that he would like for the TDA to consider more projects and what the future would of the TDA may look like. He said the TDA in Brevard had prioritized bike trails and it would be nice for the TDA to consider projects beyond festivals and events that would bring visitors year-round.

Presley said that the Parker Meadows facility could factor into a plan like that.

**November 12, 2019 meeting continued,**

Tallent said that altering the grant program to benefit ideas like bike trails or other ideas that would bring visitors in may be something to consider in the future.

**Adjournment**

**Motion was made by Bishop, seconded by Crabtree to adjourn the meeting at 5:55 p.m. Motion carried. Vote: 5 to 0.**

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Connie Grubermann, Chairperson

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Summer Woodard, Town Manager