## **Benton County Tourism and Recreation Corporation**

January 19, 2022 -Warsaw Community Building Council Chambers MEETING MINUTES

Suzie Brodersen Jessi Kendall Jo Ann Lane Rick Renno Christine Letcher Susan Kyle

Lynette Stokes, Executive Director

Meeting was called to order at 4:06 p.m.

Minutes from November 17, 2021 meeting were reviewed and motion was made for acceptance by Letcher and seconded by Beyer for approval as presented. The motion was unanimously approved.

Administrative matters were discussed such as non-paying lodge update on Grand River Resort (Q3-Q4), Hidden Lake (Q2-4) and River's End (Q1-Q4) and collection efforts to-date. Stokes gave updates on the revised budget, and the part-time personnel and other ways to get another person hired.

Stokes also went over the contractors hired for the visual asset procurement and social media management through June 30, 2022.

The Financials were reviewed for the period November and December 2021 with a motion made to accept the financials as presented by Kendall and seconded by Lane. The motion was unanimously approved.

There were updates given by Stokes regarding past and upcoming events and efforts including the Benton County Barn Quilt Trail, Pubs and Poker, Art Walk, CBG Festival, BBQ Competition & Festival, MO Photo Workshop, Boutique Crawl, BCTR photo contest, community calendar, Bike event (2023) and the Cole Camp Walking/Historic Tour efforts.

Osage Lakes Greenway Updates were given by Stokes on the status of the Butterfield connection not being granted for the Butterfield and EPIC races by a landowner in order to avoid any traffic on busy Highway 65.

The next Commission meeting will be held on March 16, 2022 at 4pm at the Warsaw Community Building (Council Chambers).

Meeting was adjourned at 5:05 p.m. with a motion by Renno and seconded by Letcher.

Lynette Stokes, Executive Directo