

White Pine County Tourism and Recreation Board Meeting Minutes

Date: January 10, 2019
Time: 10:00 a.m.
Location Bristlecone Convention Center – Pinion Room

Members Present: Steve Stork
Marietta Henry
Bryane Goeringer – Called In at 10:10 a.m.
Caroline McIntosh – Called In at 9:55 a.m.

Staff Present: Kyle Horvath
James Beecher

Members Absent: Jolene Gardner

Public Present: George Chachas

Chairman Stork called to order the special meeting of the White Pine County Tourism and Recreation Board on January 10, 2019 in the Pinion Room at the Bristlecone Convention Center. Chairman Stork led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

- I. **Public Comment:** George Chachas has an ongoing concern that funds given to the community choir for the Centennial Building need to be returned. He said they don't qualify; that the Board is assisting a private club. Mr. Chachas has not received any information regarding Ed Spear having a business license. He feels the information should come from Member Gardner but that the Board should have that information because they contracted with him. Executive Director Horvath said that we do have his contract which does not require a private business license. Mr. Chachas disagreed. Mr. Chachas said last year he attended an ethics in government and open meeting law presentation given by the Pool Pact. Mr. Chachas voiced his concern at that time that the Nevada Northern Railroad has received approximately \$250,000 of tax payers' money and is not operating under the Nevada Open Meeting law. Those monies that they get from Tour and Rec need to be addressed in an open meeting.

II. New Business:

1. Approval of Agenda, Including Removal of Agenda Items-Chairman Stork:

Motion: Caroline McIntosh. To approve the agenda as presented.

Motion seconded: Marietta Henry. **Unanimously approved. Motion carried three to zero.**

2. Election and approval of Board positions, including: Chair, Vice-Chair, Treasurer, Secretary: Director Horvath informed the Board that this is something we need to do annually. The only thing that is really in question is the Treasurer position because Lori Drew was designated as the Treasurer because the position needed to be bonded and as an employee, she was bonded under Tour and Rec. James Beecher said that the Board can select anyone that they want to be the Treasurer. That whoever is selected, the Board needs to make sure they follow up with a bond filed with the County Clerk. Director Horvath said that is it our responsibility to put up the bond as Tour and Rec, not the person who is appointed as Treasurer. James Beecher mentioned that the Treasurer has a lot of specific duties as outlined in the NRS. The reason Lori Drew was doing it in the past was because she was performing those duties. Our third party, Jeff, who is doing that now might be better suited to be the Treasurer. Kyle asked if a Board member could be designated as Treasurer and bonded but act as a liaison to Jeff. James Beecher said Yes if the Board member knows he/she would be responsible for making sure Jeff is complying with everything that needs to be complied with. Kyle rephrased to Member McIntosh what would be required of the Board member and she said she would be a happy to continue in that role.

Motion: Marietta Henry. To nominate Caroline McIntosh to serve as Treasurer for the White Pine County Tour and Recreation Board.

Motion seconded: Richard Stork. **Unanimously approved. Motion carried three to zero.**

Moving onto the position of Secretary. Director Horvath inquired from James Beecher if he could be so designated since he is sending out the agendas and essentially taking over those duties. Mr. Beecher responded in the affirmative.

Motion: Marietta Henry. To nominate Kyle Horvath as the Secretary.

Motion seconded: Caroline McIntosh. **Unanimously approved. Motion carried three to zero.**

James Beecher commented that he is assuming by the above motions that the Board is going to keep the Chair and Vice-Chair. If so, a motion needs to be made to affirm that.

Motion: Caroline McIntosh. That Richard Stork remain as Chairman and Marietta Henry remain as Vice-Chairman of the White Pine County Tour and Recreation Board.

Motion seconded: Marietta Henry. **Unanimously approved. Motion carried three to zero.**

At this point in the meeting (10:10 a.m.) Bryane Goeringer called in. Kyle Horvath briefly went over the persons selected as Chairman, Vice-Chair, Secretary and Treasurer.

3. Approval of new signature cards: Kyle said that since the Board makeup has not changed, no action is due on this item. Member McIntosh felt that a change did need to be made to remove Ms. Drew's name and Kyle said that is currently being addressed. James Beecher said you only need to approve if you are having a name added. Chairman Stork did not call for a vote since the item was moot.

4. Approval of amount for prize money for designated competitions during Fire and Ice Festival: Kyle said we did get word that we can have snow sculptures at Cave Lake. In the past prize money has been put up in the amounts of \$1,000 for first place, \$500 for second place and \$300 for third place. He is asking approval for those same amounts.

Motion: Caroline McIntosh. To approve the amounts of \$1,000 for first prize, \$500 for second prize and \$300 for third prize for the designated competitions during the Fire and Ice Festival.

Motion seconded: Marietta Henry **Unanimously approved. Motion carried four to zero.**

5. Approval of expenses to produce a Valentine's Day fundraising concert including but not limited to cost of band and rental of sound equipment and technician:

Kyle is working with a band out of southern California to come up here to do a Valentine's concert similar to the format that was done at the freight barn where it becomes a fund raiser for a community organization. The amount being requested is \$3,000 total that would include band and all production costs. With approval of the amount, Kyle can proceed in working with different community organizations. This is proposed for Thursday, February 14. A brief discussion was had as to where this concert would be held which hasn't yet been chosen.

Motion: Marietta Henry. To approve the \$3,000 expenditure to bring in the Ridgecraft 313 band on February 14, 2019.

Motion seconded: Bryane Goeringer. **Unanimously approved. Motion carried four to zero.**

III. Board Updates:

1. Discussion Only: Board updates and announcements

Member McIntosh asked that the meeting on January 24, 2019 be moved to 8 a.m. due to a conflict. After a brief discussion, it was determined the meeting on January 24, 2019 will be held at 9 a.m.

Chairman Stork said he attended a brief meeting last night regarding the viability of the horse races. Member Marietta said that right now it is her role is to reach the current Board and committee to see who is really interested in taking this on. Kyle said he wanted to clarify if there would still be a Fair/event for that weekend. The response was in the affirmative. Quite a bit of discussion followed. It was suggested that this topic be placed on the 1/24 agenda where a representative from the Ag district could be at the meeting.

Kyle was asked for an update on Fire and Ice. He said we are happy that we have snow sculptures. He is impressed on how the community has gotten behind this with many organizations sponsoring different events. Already we are planning for next year. Member McIntosh asked if it would be possible to do a poster of the events that were presented to the County

Commission yesterday that could be placed at Ridleys and other high impact areas. Kyle said he will address that.

Chairman Stork asked Kyle the status on the Marketing Manager position. Kyle said there were twenty resumes that have been received; half of them are very to extremely qualified for the position. It closes at the end of this week. He would like to get a sub-committee, or an advisory group together made up of a Board member and few others, maybe a lodging property representative, to go over the resumes and give their recommendations as to who the strongest candidates are and narrow it down to the top five to then do a phone interview. Member McIntosh said she would like to have on the 1/24 agenda an item to address relocation costs for the possible relocation of someone from out of town. Chairman Stork said that is noted to be included on our agenda for the 24th.

IV. Public Comment: None

V. Adjournment:

Motion: Marietta Henry. To adjourn.

Motion seconded: Caroline McIntosh. **Unanimously approved. Motion carried four to zero.**

Minutes submitted by: Judi Bourbeau

Minutes approved by:

Name

Date