

Whitley County Tourism Board

May 11, 2010

6:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Rich Prewitt.

Members present: Prewitt, Neal, Freeman, Grey, Cooper and Director Sulfridge.

There was no meeting in April so the minutes of the March meeting were presented to the Board. A motion was made by Neal and seconded by Grey to approve the minutes. All voted YEAH.

In a prior meeting Chris Mahan was dismissed from the Board for non-attendance. It was brought to the attention of the Board that they do not have this authority. The Board was also made aware that Mahan was still interested in being a member of the board. Neal made a motion the Board rescind the vote. Prewitt seconded and all voted YEAH.

It was discovered that not all Board members have the final copy of the by-laws and that some items need to be clarified. Neal made a motion that the by-laws be clarified and the correct copy be given to all members. Freeman seconded and all voted YEAH.

Prewitt made a motion the Board approve the payment of claims of \$53.32 under Code 75-5420-566. Freeman seconded and all voted YEAH.

A motion was made by Prewitt and seconded by Neal to accept the treasurer's report. All voted YEAH.

The 2010-2011 Budget was presented to the Board.

They discussed allotting money to the director to draw on for small expenditures but the treasurer informed the Board this could not be done. A

purchase order would be needed for all purchases. Neal made a motion the 2010-2011 Budget be approved. Freeman seconded. All voted YEAH.

After a presentation by Tracy West, Director for County Projects, a motion was made by Prewitt and seconded by Neal to give \$4000 (code 75-5420-348) to the "Bog in the Burg." At least \$500 of this would be designated for advertising specifically. All voted YEAH.

The Board reviewed the 'Application for Special Events Funding.' Some additions and changes were made to the verbiage. A motion was then made by Neal and seconded by Grey to approve the application. All voted YEAH.

Several ideas were presented to the Board by Director Sulfridge. These included signs showing where attractions are located, an application to TourSEKY for funding, the possibility of building a billboard on property owned by the county, and contacting the state about donating signs.

Neal asked that cancelled meetings be rescheduled. Prewitt suggested meetings be held even if a quorum is not present. If anything needs to be voted on, a special meeting can then be called later.

Grey made a motion to adjourn. A second was made by Neal. All voted YEAH.