

Tourism Development Board
June 10th, 2019
Chamber of Commerce Community Room
4::30pm

- Members in attendance
 - Mandy Eller, Katie Kemezis, Michael Griffith
- Members not in attendance
 - Christy Ross
 - Chad McGee
 - John Partin
 - Ben Newman
- Guests
 - Lacy Garrison
 - Kelly Roberts and Travis Young of Cumberland Caverns

Chair, Katie Kemezis welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order. There was not a quorum for this meeting.

Kelly Roberts presented on behalf of Cumberland Caverns to inform the board of visitation numbers, events, and promotional efforts made by the cave. We discussed ways that we can work together to promote tourism activities.

Old Business

- Ms. Eller updated the board that the City of McMinnville was awarded the Tourism Enhancement Grant Round 4 from the Tennessee Department of Tourism Development in the maximum amount of \$75,000 for improvements to Pepper Branch Park and Rocket Park boat ramps. The next steps are to request approval of the grant match by the board and then send the proposal and budget details to the Parks and Rec committee.

New Business

- Ms. Eller presented the budget, noting that the administrative fee was not included in this budget but was included in the Chamber non-profit appropriations budget, per the comments on the FY 17-18 audit by Denning and Cantrell. There was no vote on the budget due to no quorum.
- Ms. Eller presented the need for a water trail plan considering the plans to increase water access points. In order to establish a state designated Blueway, a water trail plan is highly recommended. This matter will be revisited with a quorum present.

With no further formal business, Ben Newman motioned to adjourn and John Partin seconded. The motion carried.

Submitted, _____

Mandy Eller, Interim Director