

Town of Franklin Tourism Development Authority Meeting

November 8, 2021 – 5:30 p.m.

Present: Chair Connie Grubermann, members Donnie Bishop, Tim Crabtree, Josh Drake, Matt Holland, Cheryl Pullium, and Town Manager Amie Owens were present.

Candy Presley was absent.

Approval of the October 11, 2021 meeting minutes

Motion was made by Crabtree, seconded by Pullium to approve the October 11, 2021 meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried. Vote: 7 to 0.

Financial Reports for November 8, 2021

Town Manager Amie Owens presented the financial reports for November 8, 2021.

Motion was made by Pullium, seconded by Drake to accept the financial report as presented. Motion carried. Vote: 7 to 0. Report is attached.

Sub Committee Reports

- A.) Finance/Budget Chair Report – None
- B.) Policy and Rules of Procedure Chair Report – None
- C.) Application Review Chair Report – Presented.

New Business: Presentation of Annual Audit Report

Jonas Watts from Martin-Starnes presented the report via Zoom.

Old Business: Smoky Mountain Center for the Performing Arts Funding Request for \$15,000

Motion was made by Crabtree, seconded by Bishop to approve the funding request for \$15,000. Motion carried. Vote: 7 to 0.

Items from the Board

Chair Connie Grubermann asked Tim Crabtree if he was going to submit a funding request for the Ruby Drop this year. He said that he intended to make the request at the next meeting. He said he expected the request to be for the same amount as the previous year which would be \$2,100. He said he planned to ask the Town to hang a banner across Main Street.

Grubermann said that if he submitted the request the Board could go ahead an vote on it at the next meeting as they have done with other requests in the past.

Adjournment

Motion was made by Pullium, seconded by Drake to adjourn the meeting at 5:46 p.m. Motion carried. Vote: 7 to 0.

Connie Grubermann, Chairperson

Amie Owens, Town Manager