

Garnett Tourism Advisory Committee
Minutes – May 2, 2018
Garnett City Hall

The Garnett Tourism Advisory Committee met on Wednesday, May 2, 2018 in the Commission Room at Garnett City Hall with the following members present: Tom Emerson Jr., Chairman, Susan Caron, Laurel Ladewig, Nicole Stevenson, Paula Wallace and Travis Wilson. Also attending was Susan Wettstein, Director of Community Development.

The meeting was called to order at 5:31 p.m.

Positive Tourism Observations

Everyone is busy with the end of school. Patriotic banner project has 194 honorees on 187 banners.

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Paula Wallace and seconded by Travis Wilson to approve the minutes of April 11, 2018 as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

Financial Report

The ending balance of uncommitted funds the end of April was \$16,229.35 The amount yet to be awarded through the TGT Program Budget, less commitments: \$10,353.30. Susan reported that there is a pending TGT distribution just received in the amount of \$6,073.52. This will be reflected in the May report.

Old Business

Susan provided a copy of the proposed 5-Year Plan for Tourism to members of the Committee. Everyone was pleased with how it was presented.

New Business

Discussion of 2019 Travel Guide Listings: Tom Emerson Jr. made a motion to offer the same half-price incentive for new listings for the 2019 Kansas Travel Guide as we have done in the past, with TGT funds paying the other half for the first year. Laurel Ladewig seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Board Vacancy: We are advertising the need for a board member via social media, website and news release. Suggestions for new members were Chris Goetz and inquire if a fair board member might consider.

Consideration of Transient Guest Tax Applications: None.

Staff reports were reviewed.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Nicole Stevenson and seconded by Paula Wallace to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 6:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Wettstein