

**Town of Seven Devils  
Tourism Development Authority Meeting  
January 23, 2018 – Organizational Meeting**

The Town of Seven Devils Tourism Development Authority met in regular session on Tuesday, January 23, 2018 at Town Hall. Anne Fontaine and Tom Gidley were present; Member Jack Duncan was present via phone, and Town Manager Debbie Powers was present & recorded the minutes.

**Call to Order**

Town Manager called the meeting to order at 9:03 am. She opened the floor for nominations for Chair; Tom nominated Anne Fontaine, Jack seconded the nomination, and all approved. Anne accepted the nomination.

**Adopt Agenda and Approve Minutes**

Member Tom Gidley made a motion to adopt the agenda and approve the minutes from the October 24, 2017 meeting. Jack seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**Citizen Comments**

Brad and Kay Lambert, Tina Bailey, and Larry Fontaine were present.

**Old Business**

- None.

**New Business**

- Anne reviewed the presentation request for Watauga County Veterans Memorial Fund. Jack made a motion to donate \$1,000; Tom seconded the motion; all approved.
- Avery Chamber submitted a funding request for the 2018 rack cards for \$500; Tom made a motion to fund, Jack seconded; all approved.
- Anne recapped the “Lite the Nite” function; reminder that TDA might purchase gingerbread people for this year.
- Discussion of funding for summer activities; movie cost is \$850, music groups are \$1,000 each, Kay discussed the Arbor Day celebration on Friday, April 27, 2018 and efforts to become a Tree City USA. Tom made a motion to fund \$1,500; Jack seconded the motion; all approved. Debbie will invite legislators and grantors.
- Discussion of SafetyFest and funding for 2018. Jack made a motion to donate \$9,500; Tom seconded the motion; all approved.
- Debbie read thank you note from Sue McBean, NC State Parks
- Discussed new ramp, new windows, well doors; all complete except shades on Board Room windows.
- Discussed final payment on Boom Mower payment. Debbie alerted members to be aware of need for funds for remodeling or purchasing new Town Hall.
- Request for funds for transmitter and 2 receivers for speaker system for ~\$350. Tom made a motion to approve, Jack seconded the motion; all approved.

### **Financial Statement**

- Chair Anne Fontaine made a motion to approve the financial statements. Member Jack Duncan seconded the motion and it was agreed upon unanimously. Many thanks to Helga for great collections and occupancy tax compliance.

### **Board Comments**

- Discussed distribution of SafetyFest funds to 3 departments.
- **Adjourn**  
At 9.45 am, Chair Anne Fontaine made a motion to adjourn. Member Jack Duncan seconded the motion and it was agreed upon unanimously. Next meeting is March 27, 2018 at 9:00am.