

Transylvania County Tourism Development Authority

Special Called Meeting – 10/11/2022

Minutes

WELCOME:

Chairman Parker called the meeting to order at 8:33 AM, members present were as follows:

Larry Chapman, Dee Dee Perkins, Ali Lien, Layton Parker, Aaron Baker and Jessica Whitmire

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Mark Tooley spoke publicly as President of the Friends of the Ecusta Trail in favor of the Authority's support for the project.

AGENDA MODIFICATIONS:

Larry Chapman moved to approve the special called meeting agenda as presented, seconded by Dee Dee Perkins. All members present were in favor and the motion passed unanimously.

BUSINESS ITEM – CITY OF BREVARD FUNDING REQUEST

Chairman Parker introduced this item and introduced representatives of the City of Brevard. Paul Ray spoke on behalf of the City of Brevard and gave a general overview of the proposal. Members of the Board received printed materials related to the City's proposal.

After a brief presentation, Chairman Parker introduced the discussion of the Board and inquired of the Board. An extended discussion concerning the length of the grant timeline, length of the construction project timeline and the restrictions that apply to the Authority's funds occurred.

Layton Parker read out a draft motion for consideration. Consensus of the Board was favorable, no actions were taken to amend or otherwise alter the wording of the motion from the Board.

Layton Parker moved to recuse Aaron Baker from deliberation and approval of the motion, seconded by Larry Chapman. All were in favor, the motion passed unanimously and Aaron Baker was recused from further discussion.

After review of a draft motion from Attorney Patrick Scott, which was read aloud by Clark Lovelace. ---

The TDA agrees to provide a sum total up to \$1,000,000 to City of Brevard paid over multi-year period for purpose of providing local matching funds up to 10% of total awarded grant funding for any successful grant application related to construction of the Ecusta Trail, subject to any restrictions placed

upon the Authority by County Resolution 35-2021, North Carolina Session Law 2005-88 or Chapter 159 of the North Carolina General Statutes.

Dee Dee moved to approved the motion as presented, seconded by Jessica Whitmire. No further discussion was had by the Board, all present were in favor of the motion which was approved unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT:

Having concluded its business, Larry Chapman moved to adjourn the special meeting, seconded by Aaron Baker. All were in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 9:38 AM.