

FINAL MINUTES
OCONEE COUNTY PRT COMMISSION
May 15, 2014
Oconee Heritage Center 12:00 pm

Members present were: Rosemary Bailes, Mike Wallace, Becky Wise, Rick Lacey, Jo Ann Blake & Dan Pollock

Guests present were: Ray Chandler

Also present were: Phil Shirley, PRT Director & Mandy Holbrooks, PRT Secretary

Call to Order

Rosemary Bailes called the meeting to order at 12:05

Approval of Minutes

Motion to accept minutes of March 5, 2015 by Rick Lacey, seconded by Becky Wise Vote was **unanimously** carried.

Treasurer's Report

Phil Shirley presented the treasurer's report. Balance as of May 15, 2015 for Local ATAX is \$198,276.00 and State ATAX is \$55,313.00.

Phil Shirley gave the commission members a handout showing a breakdown for the Mountain Lakes Convention & Visitors Bureau funding for 2015-2016 budget year. He asked the commission to consider funding the CVB for \$132,000.00.

Mr. Shirley spoke on upcoming events for the 2015-2016 year and asked the commission members to consider funding the following events: Road Titans (\$15,000); Mystery Fishing (\$15,000); Fishing District Championship (\$7,500). These events will bring numerous cyclists, anglers, their families, and tourist to our area which, in turn, will bring economic dollars to the area.

He also suggested that the commission members request approval from County Council to give the Oconee Heritage Museum \$30,000 for repairs to the HVAC units.

Phil Shirley gave an update regarding the ADA fishing pier at South Cove, the new South Cove office and the disc golf course at Chau Ram.

New Business

- Upon a motion by Rick Lacey, seconded by Mike Wallace and carried, the Committee approved motion to recommend to County Council to fund the **Mountain Lakes Convention & Visitors Bureau \$132,000.00** for the **2015-2016 budget year**. Vote was **unanimously** carried.
- Upon a motion by Mike Wallace, seconded by Rick Lacey and carried, the Committee approved motion to recommend to County Council a grant to Road Titans 300 for **\$15,000.00** for **advertising and hosting the event** Vote was **unanimously** carried
- Upon a motion by Rick Lacey, seconded by JoAnn Blake and carried, the Committee approved motion to recommend to County Council a

grant to Mystery Fishing Event for \$15,000.00 for advertising and hosting the event Vote was unanimously carried

- Upon a motion by Becky Wise, seconded by Rick Lacey and carried, the Committee approved motion to recommend to County Council a grant to Fishing District Championship for \$7,500.00 for advertising and hosting the event Vote was unanimously carried
- Upon a motion by Rick Lacey, seconded by Mike Wallace and carried, the Committee approved motion to recommend to County Council a grant to Oconee Heritage Center for \$30,000.00 for repairs to HVAC units Vote was unanimously carried

Adjourn

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:55.

Respectfully Submitted:

Phil Shirley
Director of Parks, Recreation & Tourism