

FINAL MINUTES
OCONEE COUNTY PRT COMMISSION
August 29, 2019
Oconee History Museum 12:00 pm

Members present were: Shane Smith, Kevin Evans, Andrew Conkey, Greg Coutu,
Riley Johnson, Trey Barnett, Alex Butterbaugh

Guests present were: Mary-Kate Tilley

Also present were: Phil Shirley, PRT Director, Ken Sloan, Visit Oconee Director,
& Mandy Holbrooks, PRT Secretary

Call to Order

Shane Smith called the meeting to order at **12:05**.

Approval of Minutes

Motion to accept minutes of **August 22, 2019**, by **Riley Johnson**,
seconded by **Kevin Evans**. Vote was **unanimously** carried.

Presentation of Grants

1. Devil's Fork State Park – tent impact pad improvement - \$7, 21.26
2. Discover Upcountry Carolina Association – advertising - \$10,000.00
3. Walhalla Performing Arts Center – advertising 201 -2020 season- \$20,000.00
4. Upstate Heritage Quilt Trail – production & distribution of rack cards - \$3,387.00
5. Historic Old Pickens Foundation – interpretative markers - \$500.00
6. Oconee History Museum – outdoor exhibit signage - \$700.00
7. Walhalla Oktoberfest – advertising the 41st annual Oktoberfest - \$7,000.00
8. City of Seneca – advertising th annual Half Marathon & 5K - \$10,000.00
. South Carolina Bigfoot Festival – advertising - \$3,000.00
10. The Foothills Agricultural Resource & Marketing Center – advertising - \$1,500.00
11. Bart Garrison Agricultural Museum of SC – outdoor adventure package for breast cancer survivors - \$30,000.00

New Business

- Upon a motion by **Greg Coutu**, seconded by **Riley Johnson** and carried, the Committee approved motion to recommend to County Council a grant to **Devil's Fork State Park** for **\$5,250.00** for **tent impact pad improvement**. Vote was **unanimously** carried. **Kevin Evans abstained from voting.**
- Upon a motion by **Riley Johnson**, seconded by **Kevin Evans** and carried, the Committee approved motion to recommend to County Council a grant to **Discover Upcountry Carolina Association** for **\$5,250.00** for **advertising**. Vote was **unanimously** carried.
- Upon a motion by **Trey Barnett**, seconded by **Greg Coutu** and carried, the Committee approved motion to recommend to County Council a grant to **Walhalla Performing Arts Center** for **\$5,250.00** for **advertising 2019 – 2020 season**. Vote was **unanimously** carried.

- Upon a motion by Kevin Evans, seconded by Andrew Conkey and carried, the Committee approved motion to recommend to County Council a grant to Upstate Heritage Quilt Trail for \$1,200.00 for production & distribution of rack cards. Vote was unanimously carried.
- Upon a motion by Trey Barnett, seconded by Kevin Barnett and carried, the Committee approved motion to recommend to County Council a grant to Historic Old Pickens Foundation for \$500.00 for interpretative markers. Vote was unanimously carried.
- Upon a motion by Alex Butterbaugh, seconded by Greg Coutu and carried, the Committee approved motion to recommend to County Council a grant to Oconee History Museum for \$300.00 for outdoor exhibit signage. Vote was unanimously carried.
- Upon a motion by Trey Barnett, seconded by Kevin Evans and carried, the Committee approved motion to recommend to County Council a grant to Walhalla Oktoberfest for \$3,500.00 for advertising the 41st annual Oktoberfest. Vote was unanimously carried.
- Upon a motion by Kevin Evans, seconded by Alex Butterbaugh and carried, the Committee approved motion to recommend to County Council a grant to City of Seneca for \$5,250.00 for advertising the 9th Annual Half Marathon & 5 K. Vote was unanimously carried. Riley Johnson abstained from voting.
- Upon a motion by Greg Coutu, seconded by Trey Barnett and carried, the Committee approved motion to recommend to County Council a grant to South Carolina Bigfoot Festival for \$500.00 for advertising. Vote was unanimously carried.
- Upon a motion by Riley Johnson, seconded by Kevin Evans and carried, the Committee approved motion to recommend to County Council a grant to The Foothills Agricultural Resource & Marketing Center for \$500.00 for advertising the Heritage Fair. Vote was unanimously carried.
- Upon a motion by Kevin Evans, seconded by Greg Coutu and carried, the Committee approved motion to recommend to County Council a grant to Bart Garrison Agricultural Museum of South Carolina for \$2,500.00 for outdoor adventure package for breast cancer survivors. Vote was unanimously carried. Trey Barnett abstained from voting.

New Business

Next meeting is November 21, 2019, at South Cove County Park beginning at 12:00.

Adjourn

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:40.

Respectfully Submitted:

 Phil Shirley
 Director of Parks, Recreation & Tourism