



**MINUTES – BOARD MEETING**  
**DESOTO PARISH TOURISM COMMISSION**  
115 N. Washington Ave.  
Mansfield, LA  
**October 17, 2023**  
**2:00**

- I. **Call to Order:** Meeting called to order by President, Margaret Dickerson.
- II. **Roll Call:** Present were: Margaret Dickerson, Donna Cagle, Pam Rodgers, John Russell, and Mary Mac Thompson. Not Present: Ron Jackson and Shirley Payne
- III. **Prayer & Pledge:** Margaret Dickerson led the prayer and pledge.
- IV. **Approval of October 2023 Agenda:** Motion by Mary Mac Thompson to approve October 2023 Agenda. 2<sup>nd</sup> Pam Rodgers. Motion Passed.
- V. **Public Comment Period:** Guests attending, Michael Norton with DeSoto Parish Police Jury.
- VI. **Approval of September 2023 Minutes:** Motion by Donna Cagle to approve September 2023 Minutes. 2<sup>nd</sup> by John Russell. Motion Passed.
- VII. **Approval of September 2023 Financials:** Cited budget-to-actual comparisons. Motion by John Russell approve August 2023 Financial Report. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mary Mac Thompson. Motion Passed.
- VIII. **Old Business:**  
No Old Business
- IX. **New Business:**
  - a. Funding request by Krewe of Demeter. Motion by John Russell to approve funding request for Krewe of Demeter and Krewe of Aquarius. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Donna Cagle. Motion Passed.
  - b. Logansport Christmas Lights-request for funding. Motion by Pam Rodgers to approve Logansport Christmas Lights funding request. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mary Mac Thompson. Motion Passed.
  - c. LTLA for Tourism Commission Director. Motion by Pam Rodgers to approve the Tourism Director to attend the LTLA Academy. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Donna Cagle. Motion Passed.
- X. **Director's Report-**
  - a. Occupancy Report for September 2023
  - b. Upcoming events and meetings.Motion by John Russell to approve ordering of more HTOL Brochures. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Pam Rodgers. Motion Passed.  
Motion by Pam Rodgers to approve Director's Report. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Donna Cagle. Motion Passed.
- XI. Next regularly scheduled Board meeting will be Tuesday, November 14, 2023 at 2:00pm
- XII. Motion by Pam Rodgers to adjourn. 2<sup>nd</sup> by John Russell. Motion Passed. Meeting adjourned.