

Minutes Decatur County Visitors Commission

August 20, 2026

Staff Present: Erica Gunn

Commissioners Present: Ryan Maddux, Darren Covington (online), Kuyhlia Hulsbosch (online), Zane Paulson (online), Dominique Bancroft

Not Present: None

Call to Order

President Ryan Maddux called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m. at the Visitor Center. A quorum was present.

Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Zane Paulson and seconded by Dominique Bancroft to approve the Consent Agenda which included the minutes of the June 2026 meeting and financial statements. Motion carried 5-0.

Old Business

There was no old business.

New Business

Erica Gunn reported two new board appointments: Jordan Wallpe (local AirBNB owner), serving the remainder of Eric Rowles' term through December 2026 (Eric resigned after selling Highpoint Events) and Jarred Klosterkemper (Tree City Brew owner), serving the remainder of JoAnn Burkhardt's term through December 2026 (JoAnn resigned due to health reasons).

Erica Gunn also discussed a review of the Commission's by-laws that would be undertaken during the remainder of the year and stated Lora Williams had been retained for legal review.

Director Report

The Commissioner's reviewed and discussed the Director's Report.

Topics discussed were update on 2027 budget discussions, community partnerships and meetings, CenStates Chapter of TTRA Conference, community project updates, internship wrap-ups, and summer event attendance and results.

No further action was taken.

Marketing Director Report

Erica Gunn provided the Commission with an update on marketing activities, including promotion of the photography trail and website statistics. No further action was taken.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 12:20 p.m.