ST. MARTIN PARISH TOURISM COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING MINUTES WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 11, 2023

The St. Martin Parish Tourism Commission met at 4:37 p.m. on Wednesday, January 11, 2023. The meeting was held at The Teche Center for the Arts, 210 East Bridge Street, Breaux Bridge, Louisiana.

The meeting was called to order by Tourism Executive Director Laci Laperouse.

The following members were present: Carole Lancon, Fred Foti Jr., Laura Huval, Marel Thibodeaux and Tonia Peltier. The following members were absent: Christine Friedman (excused) and Karlos Knott (excused).

A motion was made by Fred Foti, Jr. and seconded by Carole Lancon to approve the minutes of the St. Martin Parish Tourism Commission Meeting held on Wednesday, December 14, 2022.

This motion having been submitted to a vote; the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS:

Carole Lancon, Fred Foti Jr., Laura Huval, Marel Thibodeaux and Tonia Peltier.

NAYS:

None.

ABSTAIN:

None.

ABSENT:

Christine Friedman (excused) and Karlos Knott (excused).

And the motion was declared adopted this 11th day of January 2023.

A motion was made by Laura Huval and seconded by Tonia Peltier to approve the Tourism Monthly Report for the month of December 2022.

This motion having been submitted to a vote; the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS:

Carole Lancon, Fred Foti Jr., Laura Huval, Marel Thibodeaux and Tonia Peltier.

NAYS:

None.

ABSTAIN:

None.

ABSENT:

Christine Friedman (excused) and Karlos Knott (excused).

And the motion was declared adopted this 11th day of January 2023.

Executive Director Laci Laperouse announced her upcoming graduation ceremony for the 2022 LTLA class. Executive Director Laci Laperouse mentioned Assistant Director Megan LeBlanc will be participating this year in the same program. Executive Director Laci Laperouse also announced that Commissioner Christine Friedman will be attending and participating in the same ceremony as a 2022 CTS graduate. Other topics discussed were the website launch and the need to get more businesses active in the extranet tool. Executive Director Laci Laperouse informed the commissioners of the many grants available to businesses, attractions, and arts through state and federal funding, and would be sending that information out soon.

Prior to adjournment, Commissioner Fred Foti, Jr. showed his interest in attending the Congres Mondial Acadien 2024 and requested Executive Director Laci Laperouse start researching the details for this event. Executive Director Laci Laperouse reminded the Commissioners the next meeting would be held February 8, 2023 at Myran's Maison De Manger, located at 1023 Neblett Street, Arnaudville, Louisiana.

A motion was made by Fred Foti, Jr. and seconded by Marel Thibodeaux that the St. Martin Parish Tourism Commission Meeting does hereby adjourn. Motion was unanimously approved.

I hereby certify the foregoing to be exact and true:

Laci Laperouse, Executive Director

St. Martin Parish Tourism