CITY OF GROVE CONVENTION AND TOURISM BUREAU REGULAR MEETING MINUTES June 22, 2017

Jim Corbridge, Chairman, called the meeting to order. Members present were, Brad Wisdom and John Wells. Member Hitesh Patel and Amelia Chamberlain were absent. Also in attendance were Brent Malone, Executive Director and Debbie Bottoroff, Assistant City Manager.

No Public Comments.

Corbridge opened the floor for discussion in respect to the approval of minutes of the May 25, 2017 Regular Meeting. Wisdom made a motion seconded by Wells to approve the minutes as presented. 3 AYE, 0 NAY, Motion carried.

Corbridge opened the floor for discussion in respect to the monthly financial reports. Wisdom made a motion seconded by Wells to approve the monthly Financial Report. 3 AYE, 0 NAY, Motion carried.

Corbridge opened the floor for discussion in respect to Sponsorship application received from OK Bass Federation. The application requested \$10 per boat or \$25 per boat; Malone advised members there were 24 boats and 21 anglers participate; during the tournament there were 84 room nights spent in Grove hotels. Wells questioned why the anglers launched out of Honey Creek State Park instead of Wolf Creek Park, Malone advised the members the event was held during the time the waters were high and Honey Creek was the only place anyone could launch their boats. Wells made a motion seconded by Wisdom to sponsor the 24 boats at \$10 per boat with a total sponsorship in the amount of \$240, 3AYE, O NAY, Motion carried.

Corbridge opened the floor for discussion in respect to implementation of a Membership Program to the Convention Tourism Bureau (CTB). Corbridge reminded members this item was discussed at the May meeting, and the members agreed to the concept of the Partnership, however, the members requested additional time to review the documents. Motion was made by Wisdom and seconded by Wells to approve the documents. 3 AYE, 0 NAY, Motion carried.

Staff Reports

Malone announced the first *Food Truck Friday* will be held July 7, between 6-9 p.m. This event is on the same night as the Southern Drag Boat Association's (SDBA) Show and Shine. Broadway Street will be closed between 3rd & 4th Street six food trucks and one kettle corn wagon will be setup, plus 30-40 SDBA drag boats will be on display. There will also be a local bluegrass band playing. Malone advised members it is his goal to continue blending other events with the *Food Truck Fridays* to increase the excitement and participation. Corbridge suggested the downtown merchants be notified of these events and encourage them to stay open later than normal hours.

Malone advised members the Olympic Triathlon is tentatively scheduled for June 2, 2018. He continues to work with Integris Hospital to finalize the route.

Board Reports - No Reports.

Adjourn Wells made a motion seconded by Wisdom to adjourn. 3 AYE, 0 NAY, Motion carried and meeting adjourned at 2:36 p.m.