

**TRI-COUNTY LODGING ASSOCIATION
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING**

Friday, March 20, 2020

The Tri-County Lodging Association met at 1:00 p.m. at the TCLA/CVB Offices, 985 KK Drive, Osage Beach, Camden County, Missouri.

TCLA Board Members Present:

Russell Burdette
Jim Cleary
Mark Krantz
Don Neuharth
Lance Utley
Sue Westenhaver

TCLA Board Members Absent:

Fred Dehner
Carmen Larison
Michael Spriggs

Non-Voting Advisors Absent:

Presiding Commissioner Tom Wright
Presiding Commissioner Tony Stephens

Also present were Laura Salamun, Tim Jacobsen, Lagina Fitzpatrick, and Rebecca Rupard.

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Sue Westenhaver called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Don Neuharth made a motion to approve the Agenda. Lance Utley seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Russell Burdette commented that at this difficult time everyone should thank a trucker for continuing to deliver and transport all that is needed to keep our Country going.

OLD BUSINESS

None at this time.

NEW BUSINESS

- a) **2020 Board Election and Annual Meeting:** The Board members present discussed the upcoming election and annual meeting dates in light of the COVID 19 virus issue. After this discussion, Mark Krantz made a motion to postpone the upcoming TCLA Board meeting scheduled for Wednesday, March 25th, 2020. Russell Burdette seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Further discussion was held regarding Business District meetings. Russell Burdette made a motion for the Lake of the Ozarks Area Business District of Miller County to hold a Special Meeting on Monday, March 23, 2020, beginning at 3:00 p.m. at the TCLA/CVB Offices to approve Bill #284. Mark Krantz seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Lance Utley made a motion for the Lake of the Ozarks Area Business District of

Camden County to hold a Special Meeting on Monday, March 23, 2020, beginning at 3:30 p.m. at the TCLA/CVB offices to approve Bill #284. Don Neuharth seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

With regard to the upcoming Advisory Board elections, Sue Westenhaver informed the Board that the Camden and Miller County Clerks agreed to hand deliver absentee ballots to the TCLA offices on the election date. A process server will have to be hired to transport absentee ballots from Morgan County.

After further discussion, Don Neuharth made a motion to postpone the Advisory Board elections to May 27th, 2020 in light of the current COVID 19 crisis. Russell Burdette seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Don Neuharth made a motion to request a legal opinion of the current Board member's authority until the new election date. Lance Utley seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Further, Lance Utley made a motion to have the Annual Meeting on May 27, 2020. Don Neuharth seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

At this time Rebecca Rupard provided a memo to the Board and attendees summarizing a conversation with TCLA attorney Marc Ellinger regarding voting procedures for property management companies. Don Neuharth made a motion for a memorandum to be drafted to property management companies regarding their voting procedures and be reviewed by legal counsel prior to sending. Sue Westenhaver seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

b) FY20 Budget Reductions:

Lagina Fitzpatrick discussed the status of several budget reductions that have taken place. Russell Burdette made a motion for TCLA to continue with necessary budget reductions with an emphasis on maintaining long-term relationships with vendors. Don Neuharth seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Sue Westenhaver thanked the staff and CVB for working diligently on the budget reductions. Tim Jacobsen indicated that the CVB will continue to work on budget reductions but understands that shortfalls are prevalent.

Lagina Fitzpatrick also mentioned that reimbursement from the Missouri Division of Tourism will be coming in from the 2nd quarter soon. She mentioned that the Board for the 2020 Can-Am Games had decided to cancel and is working on getting reimbursed monies for the event. Major League Fishing had been canceled in Raleigh, NC, and was seeking other venues, she would be in contact with them to see if there is an opportunity to get them back to the Lake. Ms. Fitzpatrick also mentioned that there will be no new Regatta Permits issued until May 1, 2020.

Tim Jacobsen added that the CVB is looking into activities that could be done on social media to keep the Lake active digitally.

There being no further business to come before the Board, Don Neuharth made a motion to

adjourn the TCLA board meeting. Russell Burdette seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. The TCLA board meeting ended at 2:05 p.m.