

TOURISM EXPENDITURE REVIEW COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
June 16, 2014
Market Pointe Extension
Table Rock Conference Room
10 a.m.

ATTENDANCE:

Committee Members in Attendance: Ed Riggs , Glen Williams Kevin Yokim, Oliva Young, Dan Blumenstock, Tom Leath, Toni Nance, Doug McFarland, Harriet Green.

Staff in Attendance: Damita Jeter, TERC Staff.

Guests in attendance: John Hoefler, staff attorney

CALL TO ORDER /ADMINISTRATIVE TASKS/UPDATES:

1. **Call to Order:** The Meeting was called to order by Chairman Ed Riggs.
2. **Minutes:** A motion was made by Doug McFarland to approve the minutes of the April 7 TERC meeting. Tom Leath asked for a deletion from a paragraph under point 5 that stated “It would essentially remove the withholding power of the State Treasurer’s Office, and lessen chances for cases to appear in court. Many TERC members felt that at this point in the session it would not pass.” Tom motioned to accept with minutes with this change. The motion was seconded by Olivia Young and approved by the committee with no opposition. A motion to approve minutes of the special meeting on May 16 was made by Doug McFarland. It was seconded by Glen Williams. Special meeting minutes approved by the committee with no opposition.
3. **Term Renewal for TERC Committee Members:** Damita reminded several TERC committee members that their term is up for renewal, and asked them to remind the organizations which recommended their appointments to do so with the Governor’s Office again.
4. **Update from TERC Staff Attorney:** Motion to go into executive session so that TERC’s attorney could discuss privileged client/attorney information. Harriet Green made the motion and it was seconded by Doug McFarland. It was approved by the committee. Tom Leath recused himself due to the discussion pertaining to the City of Myrtle Beach. At the end of the discussion, Harriet Green made a motion to come out of executive session. Doug McFarland seconded and the committee approved. Mr. Leath was then contacted to re-join the group by telephone.
5. **Update on working group:** Several members of TERC are proposing to have a working group that would come together with the City of Myrtle Beach to work on resolving ongoing issues between the City and TERC. It was proposed that Toni Nance, Mark Nix, Kevin Yokim and Ed Riggs be on this team to work with Mike Shelton, Brad Dean and Michael Price, who would represent the City of Myrtle Beach. Harriet Green moved to make a motion to approve this group and these actions. It was seconded by Doug McFarland and approved by the full committee.

6. Legislative updates/concern- Toni Nance gave a legislative update regarding two budget provisos (97.14 and 106.12) The second one becomes effective July 1, 2014 and ends June 30, 2015. This will allow Horry County and all municipalities within Horry County to notify SCDOR that they will be spending accommodations tax funds on additional police services during an event in May that brings in additional tourists.

7. Review New FY 12-13 Reports:

Olivia, Glen– None.

Tom, Harriet, Mark- Town of Springdale – ask them to correct mathematical errors. Berkeley – ask them to correct mathematical errors.

Dan, Kevin –Laurens County – split coding and museum construction question. Clinton- will be spending funds in the next six months. Had previously held funds and not remitted a report. Pawleys- ok.

Ed, Doug- Dorchester County-ok, Goose Creek- ask for tourism impact.

8. TERC reviewed correspondence from the following. The correspondence was received by TERC in regards to the Committee questioning items on FY 12-13 reporting forms. A response from the City of Beaufort, City of Spartanburg, Horry County and Orangeburg County has yet to be received. Contact has been made by TERC staff several times in an effort to receive the forms. All others were reviewed and summary listed below. See minutes from April 7, 2014 to see what items were originally questioned.

Olivia, Glen–Pickens County- OK,

Tom, Harriet, Mark- Cherokee County, - okay.

Dan, Kevin –Town of Duncan- okay.

Ed, Doug- Charleston County- ok. Dillon County- ok.

Other Business: Request from Seneca to carry forward funds in order to fund a museum project. TERC will get more information from Seneca before approving.

Set Next TERC meeting date. – August 11.

Doug McFarland made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Dan Blumenstock. There being no other business and no opposition to the motion, the committee approved and adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,

Damita Jeter

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