

**TOURISM EXPENDITURE REVIEW COMMITTEE  
MEETING MINUTES  
Monday, August 9 at 10 a.m. via conference call**

**ATTENDANCE:**

**Committee Members in Attendance Via Conference Call:** Dan Blumenstock, Toni Nance, Mark Nix, Jason Rapp, Ed Riggs, Fox Simons, Tony Tam, John Taylor.

**Staff in Attendance:** Damita Holcomb, TERC Staff.

**CALL TO ORDER /ADMINISTRATIVE TASKS/UPDATES:**

- 1. Call to Order:** Chairman Ed Riggs called the meeting to order.
- 2. Minutes:** Dan Blumenstock made a motion to approve the minutes from the TERC meeting on June 14, 2021. John Taylor seconded and minutes were approved.
- 3. Committee Vacancy Update:** Damita Holcomb continues to work with the Governor's Office on a representative from the SC Association of Counties. We have been told that an appointment should be made soon.
- 4. Statehouse Updates:** Toni Nance updated the Committee and reminded TERC members that this update was for informational purposes only. Budget proviso 109.9 was adopted into the final budget. These amendments including allowing a portion of funds returned to Horry County and the municipalities within, including Myrtle Beach, to allow a portion of those funds for policing services during the month of May.

***Requests of TERC for review:***

**Sullivan's Island:** The Town of Sullivan's Island requested that TERC allow them to delay forming a local accommodations tax advisory committee (Normally required when receipts reach \$50,000 or more) due to the fact that they may fall out of that reporting threshold again. TERC members examined the Town's collection information and it appears that Sullivan's Island will more than likely continue to fall within the threshold based on the history. TERC will encourage the Town to form a committee in order to be in compliance when it does meet the threshold.

**Executive Session:**

Chairman Ed Riggs asked for a vote for TERC to go into executive session so that it may discuss items with its legal counsel, John Hoefler.

John Taylor motioned to go into executive session with Dan Blumenstock seconding. The motion passed for TERC to go into executive session.

After discussion was complete, Jason Rapp made a motion to come out of executive session, which was seconded by John Taylor. The Committee voted unanimously to come out of executive session.

The Committee determined that TERC would change its reporting form requirements to include a copy of the budget of the 30 percent recipient. It will seek our legal counsel's help in drafting a cover letter which will be distributed to reporting entities which explains the change and reason behind the change. The new form will be posted on our website.

There being no other business, Dan Blumenstock voted to adjourn, followed by a second by John Taylor. There being no opposition, the motion was passed unanimously and TERC motioned to adjourn.

Respectfully Submitted

Damita S. Holcomb

TERC Support Manager