NATCHEZ CONVENTION PROMOTION COMMISSION

Rescheduled Regular Monthly Meeting Friday, June 20, 2025 at 9:00am

Commissioners Present: Helen Moss Smith, John Grady Burns, Jennie Guido, Lance Harris,

Barbara Bruce, Robbie Cade Furdge (phone)

Staff: Lynsey Gilbert, Mallory Meng, Jessica Butts

Guests: Peyton Cavin (Silas Simmons), Ryan Richardson (NCC), Kelli

Bullock (Monmouth- online), Kameron Cupit (Monmouth- online),

Walter Tipton (NCC- online)

CALL TO ORDER & WELCOME

Helen Moss Smith called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone at 9:09am.

APPROVE MINUTES

John Grady Burns motioned, seconded by Lance Harris, to approve the regular meeting minutes from May 21, 2025 as presented.

The motion passed unanimously.

FINANCIALS

Lance Harris motioned, seconded by Jennie Guido, to accept the financials and payment docket as presented by Silas Simmons.

The motion passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

No old business.

NEW BUSINESS

No new business.

COMMISSIONERS REPORTS

Jennie Guido reported that MS Tourism Association did not receive their funding from the legislature this year. MTA will be implementing hospitality training all over the state this upcoming year.

Lance Harris gave oversight to new board members about the history and duties of the now defunct Office of Tourism Management previously run through the City. Lynsey plans to continue work with the City to encourage them to have more oversight regarding tour operators.

Lance also mentioned funding for the Grand Village of the Natchez Indians was not approved and the project is on hold for one year, possibly two. Jefferson College construction is ongoing.

Helen Moss Smith suggested Thursday, July 17 at 1pm as an alternate NCPC meeting date as Lynsey will be working in Tupelo at a bus operator trade show. All agreed that date and time work.

Helen Moss Smith, as president and chair, made the motion to nominate herself and Barbara Bruce as the nominating committee. Lance Harris seconded.

The motion passed unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

No executive session.

ADJOURN

Attest:
Helen Moss Smith/ President/Chairman
 Lance Harris, Secretary/Treasurer