

**NATCHEZ CONVENTION PROMOTION COMMISSION**  
**Regular Meeting**  
**Wednesday, April 17, 2024 1:00pm**

Commissioner's Present: Helen Moss Smith, Lance Harris, Barbara Bruce & Robbie Cade Furdge (online)  
Staff: Lynsey Gilbert, Jessica Cauthen & Mallory Meng  
Guests: Ryan Richardson

**CALL TO ORDER & WELCOME**

Helen Moss Smith called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone at 1:03pm.

**APPROVE MINUTES**

Lance Harris motioned, seconded by Helen Moss Smith, to approve the minutes for February 21, 2024, as presented.

The motion passed unanimously.

Lance Harris motioned, seconded by Robbie Cade Furdge, to approve the special call minutes for February 27, 2024, as presented.

The motion passed unanimously.

Lance Harris motioned, seconded by Robbie Cade Furdge, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting March 20, 2024, as presented.

The motion passed unanimously.

Lance Harris motioned, seconded by Robbie Cade Furdge, to approve the special call minutes for March 29, 2024, as presented.

The motion passed unanimously.

Lance Harris motioned, seconded by Robbie Cade Furdge, to approve the special call minutes for April 2, 2024, as presented.

The motion passed unanimously.

Barbara Bruce joined the meeting at 1:06pm.

## **FINANCIALS**

Lance Harris motioned, seconded by Robbie Cade Furdge, to table the financial report and payment docket until we receive it, but we will give consideration to approving the payment docket via electronic means.

The motion passed unanimously.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Helen Moss Smith motioned, seconded by Robbie Cade Furdge, to support the Natchez Open Championship in the amount of \$5,000 as recommended by TMAC.

The motion passed unanimously.

Barbara Bruce motioned, seconded by Lance Harris, to support the Bicycle Classic in the amount of \$3,500.

The motion passed unanimously.

Helen Moss Smith motioned, seconded by Lance Harris, to support the Natchez Food and Wine Festival in the amount of \$6,000 as title sponsor.

The motion passed unanimously.

Helen Moss Smith motioned, seconded by Barbara Bruce, to approve the budget amendment for financial project plan organizations for ARPA dated April 10, 2024.

The motion passed unanimously.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Helen Moss Smith motioned, seconded by Lance Harris, to go into closed determination.

The motion passed unanimously.

Helen Moss Smith motioned, seconded by Lance Harris, to go into executive session at 2:22pm for the purpose of personnel.

Lance Harris motioned, seconded by Barbara Bruce, to return to regular session at 2:38pm.

The motion passed unanimously.

Helen Moss Smith motioned, seconded by Barbara Bruce, to adjourn at 2:39pm.

Attest:

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Helen Moss Smith/ President/Chairman

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Lance Harris, Secretary/Treasurer