## NATCHEZ CONVENTION & PROMOTION COMMISSION Regular Meeting Wednesday, September 20, 2023 1:00pm

Commissioner's Present:	Helen Moss Smith, Barbara Bruce, Dana Wilson & Robbie Cade Furdge Online
Staff:	Devin Heath, Roscoe Barnes & Jessica Cauthen
Guests:	Peyton Cavin, Lyn Jenkins, Stacey Conde, Richard Burke, Sue Stedman
	& Walter Tipton

### CALL TO ORDER & WELCOME

Helen Moss Smith called meeting to order at 1:04pm and welcomed everyone.

### FINANCIALS

Peyton Cavin with Silas Simmons presented the financial reports.

Robbie Cade Furdge joined the meeting online at 1:07pm. Sue Stedman joined the meeting at 1:07pm. Walter Tipton joined the meeting at 1:14pm.

Helen Smith motioned, seconded by Dana Wilson, to accept the payment docket and financial statement as presented by Silas Simmons.

The motion passed unanimously.

Helen Smith motioned, seconded by Dana Wilson, to accept the proposed budget amendment.

The motion passed unanimously.

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

August 16, 2023, Regular Meeting

Helen Smith motioned, Dana Williams to approve the August 16, 2023 minutes.

The motion passed unanimously.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Barbara Bruce motioned, seconded by Dana Wilson, to approve a \$200.00 increase for Lou Hammond on a monthly basis for Public Relation Services.

The motion passed unanimously.

Barbara Bruce motioned, seconded by Robbie Cade Furdge, to approve a visitor center kiosk for \$27,900.00 and \$4200.00 per year in recurring fees.

The motion passed unanimously.

Barbara Bruce motioned, seconded by Dana Wilson, to form a Depot Design Committee and for it to be chaired by Devin Heath.

The motion passed unanimously.

Dana Wilson motioned, seconded by Barbara Bruce that Helen Moss Smith remain as president of the NCPC until such time as a replacement is identified to fill the role.

The motion passed unanimously.

Helen Moss Smith motioned, seconded by Barbara Bruce, that Lance Harris assume the Secretary/Treasurer position temporarily until a replacement is found.

The motion passed unanimously.

A discussion was taken up for a serious discussion once again for Allumer. It was decided to not take any further action.

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Dana Wilson motioned, seconded by Barbara Bruce, to go into closed determination.

The motion passed unanimously.

Dana Wilson motioned, seconded by Barbara Bruce, to go into Executive Session for the purpose of personnel.

The motion passed unanimously and the NCPC went into Executive Session at 3:23pm.

The NCPC returned to Regular Session at 3:26pm.

During the executive session the NCPC approved pay increases for employees.

# **ADJOURN**

Barbara Bruce motioned, seconded by Dana Wilson, to adjourn at 3:27pm.

The motion passed unanimously.

ATTEST:

Helen Moss Smith, Chairperson

Robbie Cade-Furdge Secretary/Treasurer