

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT and GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS
COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
October 4, 2022

In Attendance:

Committee: Chairman Rob Rice, Councilman Bill Farnham

City Staff: John Doyle, Miriam Jones, Doug Potts, Tracey York

Guests: Randy Brown, Josh Ferguson, Josh Corson, Councilman Sean Wilson, Mayor Jerry Brown, Jax Welborn, Luge Hardman

Media: Darrell Maurina

1. **Call to Order and Citizen Comments**– Chairman Rice called the meeting to order at 5:00pm. No citizen comments.
2. **Approval of minutes**- Councilman Farnham made a motion to approve the meeting minutes from September 6, 2022. Chairman Rice seconded the motion. Motion passed. Councilman Farnham made a motion to approve the meeting minutes from September 14, 2022. Chairman Rice seconded the motion. Motion passed.
3. **Business Spotlight**
 - a. October- Parabellum
4. **Route 66 & Roubidoux Bridge 100th Year Anniversary**- Luge Hardman stated that she would like the support from the city to do a celebration for the 100th year anniversary of the Roubidoux Bridge. Luge Hardman would like to organize a committee for this event to include Randy Brown, Sean Wilson, Rob Rice, Doug Potts and a few other people. After research there is no consensus on when bridge opened. Found news article that was from April/May 1923 timeframe. Luge Hardman would like to ask city to designate funds towards buying souvenirs to hand out and banners for event. Jax Welborn would like for the weeds to be removed from bridge and power wash before event. If possible smooth walking surface so no one trips. Jax Welborn would like to finish the mural on the lift station with a wraparound American flag and discussed ideas on creating a Christmas tree in Roubidoux Park. Councilman Farnham stated need to keep the pressure on MoDOT to keep bridge. Luge Hardman stated that she has spoken to Preston Kramer with MoDOT several times and he has assured her that we could keep the original design and repair bridge with an estimated cost of \$250,000. John Doyle stated that Preston Kramer did not provide that same information to him and Jerry Brown when they spoke to him. Luge Hardman will continue conversations with Mr. Kramer to ensure we get to keep bridge in its original form. Luge Hardman discussed Route 66 Centennial ideas for 2026.
5. **Pulaski County Tourism Marketing Assistance Grant**- Doug Potts completed and submitted grant for Pulaski County Tourism Marketing Assistance to market Hogs & Frogs event next year. Mr. Potts will find out in December if approved for grant.
6. **City of Waynesville Newsletter**- Newsletter provided in packet and will go out with utility bills this month. Newsletter includes information on the GIS mapping program for the City, natural gas cost projections, commercial jet service from Fort Leonard Wood to Dallas and Nashville, and Waynesville Business Spotlights.
7. **Hogs & Frogs Vendor Feedback**- Hogs and Frogs Vendor Feedback applications provided to the committee. Lots of positive feedback and ideas for next year.
8. **Special Events**-
 - i. Oktoberfest- 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.- October 8
 - ii. Halloween at the Market- October 29
 - iii. Pumpkin Fest- October 29- 11am to 3pm
 - iv. Veterans Day Parade- November 11 hosted by Waynesville

There was a need for a closed session. Councilman Farnham made a motion to enter into closed session. Chairman Rice seconded that motion. Committee entered closed session at 5:26 p.m. Councilman Farnham made a motion to return to open session. Chairman Rice seconded that motion. Committee returned to open session at 6:11 p.m. Having no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:12 p.m. Next scheduled meeting will be held on November 1, 2022 at 5:00pm