



CITY OF STONECREST, GEORGIA

Stonecrest Film and Entertainment Commission

Councilman Rob Turner – Chairman
William Smith, Economic Director
Patreece Dechabert – District 1
Verda Watson – Vice Chairman, District 2
Victoria Turner – District 3
Stacy Thibodeaux – District 4
Mack Calhoun – District 5

Cassandra Wilson - Secretary
Sandra Lewis-Glass - Member
Leslie Green - Member
Demetrice Williams – Advisory Member
Angel Forte – Advisory Member
Gazza Forte – Advisory Member

STONECREST FILM AND ENTERTAINMENT COMMISSION MINUTES

September 15, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.

Stonecrest City Hall

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I. CALL TO ORDER: Rob Turner, Chairman

The meeting began at 6:04 pm.

II. ROLL CALL: Ms. Cassandra Wilson, Secretary

Councilman Rob Turner, William Smith, Verda Watson, Mac Calhoun, Sandra Lewis Glass and Cassandra Wilson were present at the time of roll call.

III. INVOCATION: Rob Turner, Chairman

IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

There was a request by Cassandra Wilson to add the following to the agenda:
Old Business: Approval of Subcommittees, and the Approval of an email address to be used for social media, calls/education events, and future events and activities.

There was an additional request by Councilmember Rob Turner for the following:
New Business, item A, correct Dr. Ann Kimbrough's title, which should state COO and not CEO. He also requested to include the appointment of Monty Ross to the Advisory Board.

Motion – made by Verda Watson to approve the agenda with the stated changes.
Second by Mack Calhoun.

Motion passed unanimously.

V. APPROVAL OF July 21, 2022 meeting minutes

Councilman Rob Turner confirmed there was not a quorum at the July 21, 2022 meeting, therefore no official minutes were taken.

VI. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Shelbia Jackson, Executive Director of Dekalb Entertainment Film Commission, introduced herself and offered her support.

Mario Shirley, Founder and CEO of Ups and Downs Entertainment, gave a brief introduction and some background on Project Salena, including their focus on creatives of color.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

A. Dr. Ann Kimbrough, COO, OURS Studio

Dr. Ann Kimbrough, COO, introduced herself and gave some background and history of Our Studios. She spoke of the current events and projects Our Studios is currently working on. She offered her support to the Commission and looks forward to working with everyone.

B. Ms. Delores Crowell, Executive Director, The Georgia Film Foundation

Ms. Crowell introduced herself and provided some details on the history of The Georgia Film Foundation.

C. Sound Diplomacy – William Smith, Director, Economic Development

Director Smith spoke about the consultant, Sound Diplomacy, and their scope of work. He also spoke on highlights located in the Strategic Plan.

D. Discussion of Activities for 2022

This item was not discussed.

E. Appointment of Monty Ross

Mr. Ross introduced himself and gave an overview of his background, stating the work he hopes to do with the Film and Entertainment Commission

OLD BUSINESS

A. Approval of Sub-Committees: Social Media, Events, Volunteers, Marketing, Education, Sponsorship, and Community Engagement

Motion – made by Stacey Thibodeaux to approve the mentioned Sub-committees. Second by Mack Calhoun.

The motion passed unanimously.

B. Approval of Commission Email Address

William Smith stated he will speak with the Director of Communications regarding an email address, social media, and logo.

C. Marketing/Paraphernalia – Cassandra Williams requested \$15,000.00.

Motion – made by Verda Watson to approve the purchase of paraphernalia for the Film and Entertainment Commission. Second by Patreece Dechabert.

Motion approved unanimously.

D. All Calls/Education – 5 Phases of Production event for November 2022.

Motion – made by Verda Watson to host a 5 Phases of Production event. Second by Stacy Thibodeaux.

Motion passed unanimously.

VIII. COMMENTS

Stacey Thibodeaux stated she would like to have a virtual tour of what the City has to offer, to market the area to those interested in filming and working in the city. She is interested in completing this in 2023.

Verda Watson mentioned a bus tour of sites and locations to allow those interested in working with the City a chance to see the City of Stonecrest.

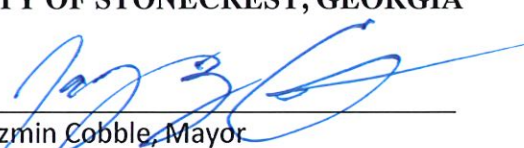
Councilmember Rob Turner mentioned a membership subcommittee where the Commission could develop partnerships and collaborations with other committees.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:02 pm.

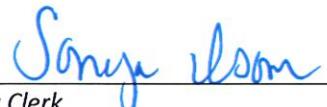
As approved on the 20th day of October, 2022.

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Jazzmin Cobble, Mayor

ATTEST:



City Clerk

