## **Tourism Committee Meeting Minutes**

Trustee Jenni Marner called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm on April 10, 2018. Roll Call was answered by Rod Randall, Jenni Marner, Dave Tiffan, Stephanie Wierman, Karen Morgan, George Fritz and Daren Herschberger. Visitors Christy Miller and James Aikman were also in attendance.

New business centered on review of the hotel/motel tax ordinance and review of the Board authorized application for hotel/motel funds.

The Committee received two applications for hotel/motel funds. The Committee reviewed the application from the Arthur Tourism Council and the Arthur Association of Commerce.

Upon review, the Committee voted to recommend to the Village Board funding the Tourism Council request of \$8500 in full and the remainder of the balance to go to the Arthur Association of Commerce. Voting members of the committee: Jenni, Karen, George and Daren voted in the affirmative. Stephanie abstained from the vote. Jenni will take the recommendation to the Board at the next scheduled meeting.

The Committee also set a regular date and time of meeting for the 2018-2019 fiscal year. The standard date for the meeting will be the Second Tuesday of April to review grant application submissions.

General discussion was held concerning the ordinance and the timeliness of the application and funding. Since tourism dollars are spent so far out into the future, sometimes it is hard to determine when to provide them. After discussion it was decided that we didn't need to change the timeline at this time.

General discussion was also held concerning the collecting of the hotel/motel tax. The main questions were concerning how these funds are collected and what entities in our community are affected by this tax.

General discussion was also held concerning the Post Event Summary. The form or verbal report is to be provided to the Village Board no later than 90 days after the event.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:58pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jenni Marner, Trustee