

# Richmond Hill Convention and Visitors Bureau Authority

# May 27, 2025 Meeting Minutes

The minutes were taken by Christy Sherman, RHCVB Executive Director.

The meeting was held at the Richmond Hill Visitors Center at 10750 Ford Avenue.

Board of Directors in attendance: Sherri Broome, Julie Gates, Kiran Swami, Patty Mathews

Also in attendance: Christy Sherman, RHCVB Executive Director, April Cameron, Richmond Hill City Center General Manager.

The meeting was called to order at 8:34 a.m. by Sherri Broome, Chairman.

# Order of the Agenda

A motion was made to approve the order of the agenda by Kiran Swami and seconded by Patty Mathews. The motion was approved by a unanimous vote.

#### **Minutes**

The minutes for the April 2025 meeting were read. A motion was made to approve the minutes by Kiran Swami and seconded by Julie Gates. The motion was approved by a unanimous vote.

# Richmond Hill City Center

April Cameron gave an update about events, improvements, and challenges at the City Center (see attached report).

#### Fort McAllister State Historic Park

Ms. Sherman updated the board about events at Fort McAllister including the recent Memorial Day Commemoration.

# Financial Report

The April 2025 financial report was read by Christy Sherman. A motion was made to approve the financial report by Kiran Swami and seconded by Patty Mathews. The motion was approved by a unanimous vote.

# **Administrative Reports**

Hotel/Motel Tax Review

Ms. Sherman reported that a review of the March monthly Smith Travel Research Report shows occupancy at 64.4%, which decreased 16.6% from last March.

April 2025

Occupancy: -16.8%

Average daily rate: .2%

Revenue per available room: -16.7%

Supply: .1%

Demand: -16.8%

Revenue: -16.6%

## **Executive Director Schedule**

Ms. Sherman reviewed her schedule for June. A motion was made to approve the schedule by Kiran Swami and seconded by Patty Mathews. The motion was approved by a unanimous vote.

#### **Old Business**

## Marketing Action Plan

Ms. Sherman reminded the board about the upcoming Marketing Action Plan project which will start with a 2-hour "Discovery Call."

#### **New Business**

## Antique Car Purchase

Ms. Sherman showed the board members the 1926 Ford Model T that was purchased last week. See attached emails for vote record.

## Atlanta Magazine Ad

Ms. Sherman presented an opportunity to purchase a full page ad in Atlanta Magazine's "Road Trips" issue in August at a cost of \$6,000. A motion was made to approve the schedule by Kiran Swami and seconded by Patty Mathews. The motion was approved by a unanimous vote.

#### **General Comments**

Ryan Purvis, CEO of the Development Authority of Bryan County introduced himself to the board and discussed the relationship and potential partnerships between the Development Authority and the CVB.

A motion to adjourn was made by Kiran Swami and seconded by Patty Mathews. The motion was approved by a unanimous vote. The meeting was adjourned at 10:00 a.m. by Sherri Broome, Chairman.