City of Rock Falls

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TOURISM COMMITTEE

January 10, 2024 10:00 a.m. Council Chambers 603 W 10th Street Rock Falls, IL 61071

AGENDA

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Audience Requests
- 3. Approve Minutes of the October 11, 2023, Tourism Committee Meeting
- 4. Tourism Committee updates:
 - a. Blackhawk Waterways
 - b. Rock Falls Chamber Sam Smith
 - c. Tourism Director
 - i. Dawn of the Decorations Halloween House Decorating Contest
 - ii. Tour of Lights House Decorating Contest
 - iii. Holiday Light Display at Centennial Park
 - iv. Kayak Rentals
 - v. Bicycle Rentals
 - vi. Sponsorship Campaign
 - vii. Flock to the Rock '24
 - viii. Bellson Music Fest Updates
- 5. Rock Falls Tourism Grants
 - a. Rock Falls Music Department Percussion Palooza Requesting \$300.00
- 6. New Business
 - a. Gift of money to be used for The Rock Falls Birding Trail
 - b. Interstate 88 Billboard Contract
 - c. 2024 Calendar of Events
 - a. Flock to the Rock '24 Saturday, February 10
 - b. Talent Show (official name to be determined) Thursdays May 30; July 11 and August 1
 - c. Bellson Music Fest Saturday, June 8
 - d. Sick the Magazine Midwest Monday, June 10
 - e. Independence Day Celebration with Sterling/Rock Falls Jaycees Fireworks – date to be determined – waiting to see what night Jaycees will be doing fireworks. Band tentatively scheduled is 3 Day Rain
 - f. Eats 'N' Beats @ the District Friday, July 19 with Kirkland Band / Friday, August 16 with BAJA Band

- g. Art in the Park Outdoor Art Gallery and Sculpture Walk Saturday, August 24
- h. Mexican Taco Fest (official name to be determined) Friday, September 27
- i. Mad About Plaid Friday, October 4
- j. Lumberjack Show & Beard Contest Saturday, October 5
- k. Halloween ATV/Golf Cart Lighted Parade Dusk on Saturday, October19
- 1. Halloween House Decorating Contest
- m. Christmas House/Business Decorating Contest
- n. Holiday Light Display @ Centennial Park with Coloma Park District end of November through December
- 7. Old Business:
 - a. Peace Sign
- 8. Marketing/Advertising/Promotions
- 9. Hotels
- 10. Committee Member Items
- 11. Adjournment

Next Regular Meeting: February 14, 2024

Posted: January 5, 2024

Michelle K. Conklin, Deputy City Clerk

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