MONTGOMERY COUNTY CONVENTION & VISITORS COMMISSION Minutes of April 9, 2025 Meeting

Call to Order: The Montgomery County Convention & Visitors Commission met in regular session at 6 p.m. on April 9, 2025 in the Commissioners' Conference Room at the Montgomery County Government Center, 1580 Constitution Row, Crawfordsville, Indiana. Commission members present were Jake Bohlander, Carter Wilson, Isaac Hook, Mike Warren and Mike Reidy. Attorney Tyler Nichols and Visitors Bureau Director Heather Shirk were also present.

Minutes. Minutes for the January and February meetings were approved after a motion by Jake Bohlander and seconded by Carter Wilson (5-0).

New Business. The Commission members considered a grant request for the Strawberry Festival in the amount of \$21,000. Mike Reidy moved to award a grant in the amount of \$21,000 and Issac Hook seconded, motion passed 5-0.

Officer Reports.

- A. Treasurer: Recent revenue numbers had not yet been provided by the Auditor's office.
- **B. Visitors Bureau**: Heather Shirk provided the Commission a report and focused a discussion on increasing the Innkeepers Tax to the statutory maximum.

Money Matters. Mike Reidy moved to approve and pay claims and Jake Bohlander seconded, motion passed 5-0. (Carter Wilson left the meeting after the approval of claims)

Other Business. Discussion regarding appointing two members to fill current vacancies. Jake Bohlander made a motion to appoint Erin Azar and Rachel Stine, seconded by Mike Reidy, motion passed 4-0.

Further discussion about meeting schedule; by consent of the members the meeting schedule is to be the second Wednesday of every other month at 8:30 a.m.

Adjournment: With no other business, the meeting was adjourned after motion by Jake Bohlander and seconded by Mike Reidy.

These minutes of the April 9, 2025 meeting are approved this 14th day of May, 2025.

Jake Bohlander, President

Mike Boidy Secretar