

Nashville Music, Film, and Entertainment Commission

MINUTES

April 10, 2024 6:10 p.m.
Howard Office Building
Sonny West Conference Center
700 President Ronald Reagan Way
Nashville, TN 37210

Commissioners Present: Max Butler (Chair), Jeff Gordon (Vice Chair), Marshall McClarnon (Secretary), Jeff Syracuse, Willie Sims, Dave Pomeroy, Shannon Sanders, Hazel Smith

Commissioners Absent: Meleisha Edwards, Peter Kurland, Michael Montgomery, Stephanie Silverman

Ex Officio Members Present: Lee Boulie, Bonna Delacruz Johnson

Staff: N/A

Guests: Derrick Smith (Metro Legal), Jamari Brown (Metro)

1. Call to Order:

Chair Max Butler called the meeting to order at 6:37 PM. He welcomed all in attendance.

2. Public Comment: N/A

There was no public in attendance.

3. New Business:

- A. Public Comment Policy recommendation presented/summarized by Metro Legal. Motion to adopt the policy by Shannon Sanders. Seconded by Dave Pomeroy. Motion passed unanimously. The memorandum outlining the policy is attached.

4. Approval of Minutes: N/A

5. Contacts and Disclosures:

Jeff Syracuse saw Dave Pomeroy. No business was discussed.

Max Butler communicated with Peter Kurland. No business was discussed.

Dave Pomeroy saw Shannon Sanders. No business was discussed.

6. Guest Speaker: N/A

7. Reports from the Chair and Vice Chair:

Max Butler attended the quarterly Tennessee Entertainment Commission (TEC) meeting to update them about our commission's activity. The Chair provided an update about the agenda from that TEC meeting. There was discussion of the recently passed Elvis Act about protecting artists from AI. Tennessee is the first state to pass a bill of this nature.

There was a permitting issue involving a production and use of the pedestrian bridge. The Chair worked with the Mayor's Office and the Nashville's Office of Film and Special Events to try to resolve the situation.

The permit system with Nashville Department of Transportation (NDOT) has changed to an e-permit system. This has not been extended to the film permit system yet, but it is being discussed as the system is rolled out to various departments. The Chair is interested in a film specific training related to this system.

Public, Facilities, Arts, and Culture committee meeting on Tuesday 4/16/24 at 4:30 PM has requested a member from the commission to come and give an update. The Chair is going to speak at this meeting. Marshall McClarnon and Dave Pomeroy have volunteered as backups.

8. Committee Reports:

Budget Committee - No report. There was not a quorum for the committee meeting.

Ad Hoc Job Description Committee - There were some changes and updates made to the job description draft. The draft was circulated to the Commission. Metro HR is providing feedback and then it will be reviewed by the Commission.

*** Quorum lost at 6:53 PM. The Chair provided an update report after. No business was conducted. ***

9. Unfinished Business: N/A

10. Agenda Items for Next Meeting: TBD

11. Next Meeting: TBD

12. Adjourn Meeting:

Chair Max Butler adjourned the meeting at 7:19 PM. Motion to adjourn from Max Butler. Seconded by Marshall McClarnon. Passed without objection.

APPROVED, this day 23rd of May 2024.

Signature on File

Max A. Butler, Chair

Signature on File

Marshall McClarnon, Secretary