JOPLIN CELEBRATIONS COMMISSION

Meeting Minutes – Tuesday, February 6, 2024, 4:00 p.m.
Location: Joplin City Hall, 5th Floor

Attended: Barbara Hogelin, Diane Reid Adams, Wally Bloss, Chad Stebbins, Patrick Tuttle, Rikki Smith, Brad Belk, Kerry Sachetta, Jill Halbach, Emily Frankoski, Heather Lesmeister, Stacey Molinaro, Chris Wiseman, Paul Bloomberg, Daya Davenport, Kristin Kosiorek, and Paula Callihan

I. **Meeting Called to Order by Mr. Tuttle**

II. **November 2023 Minutes, Motion by Mr. Belk, 2nd by Mr. Stebbins, Approved**

III. **General Discussion**

a. **Joplin's 151st Birthday - March 23, 2024 - Celebration at Spiva Park at 10 am**

b. **Jefferson Highway discussion in anticipation of the convention bid.**

c. **3D Street Painting Project - The council approved the agreement with the World Street Painting Foundation, Netherlands. - 3 years with a possible 4th.**

d. **Route 66 - Missouri and Tri-State events/materials organizing.**

e. **Iris Tour updated dates. April 20, 2024.**

f. **World Cup in July 2026. Games in Dallas and Kansas City could impact Joplin.**

   i. **Visit Joplin is working with Missouri Tourism to create the "Drive Missouri Campaign."**

g. **Movie series to continue and become Route 66 themed movies.**

h. **Heritage trail progressing - Spiva Park to be installed.**

i. **Get Your Kicks on Route 66 - The musical?**

j. **Coins and iris cookie cutters are still available.**

k. **In 2026, the 4th of July might look different for the USA250.**

IV. **Meeting Adjourned**

Approved: _____
Rikki Smith, Secretary

Approved: _____
Patrick Tuttle, Co-Chair