JOPLIN CELEBRATIONS COMMISSION

Meeting Minutes – Tuesday, April 2, 2024, 4:00 p.m.
Location: Joplin City Hall, 5th Floor

Attended: Barbara Hogelin, Diane Reid Adams, Wally Bloss, Jud Fisher, Chad Stebbins, Patrick Tuttle, Kristina Kosiorek Rikki Smith, Stacey Molinaro, Chris Wiseman, and Paula Callihan

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

II. **Review of February and March 2024 Minutes. Motion: Diane 2nd: Chad, Passed**

III. **Project Updates:**

a. **Joplin's 151st Birthday - March 23, 2024 – success. Three new Heritage Trail markers were dedicated in Spiva Park. Visit Joplin, and the Spiva descendants funded the markers.**

b. **Patrick has completed an informational tour visiting with the commissioners of 8 of the 10 Counties Missouri Route 66 passes through on behalf of the state centennial commission.**

c. **Route 66 Centennial Map: Patrick updated us that the text was close to being finished, and the design was being edited; Chris will assist with photos.**

d. **World Street Painting - June 4-8.**

i. **A team from The Netherlands was in town last week. Finalizing legal terms of the agreement with the World Street Painting Foundation. 2024 will have three domestic artists at Cornell Complex. This is the Foundation's 10-year celebration.**

e. **Next Projects**

i. **The Heritage Trail Markers list is growing; the effort is to complete six this year. The list includes Cox farm and cemetery, the history of Jasper and Newton counties, Murphysburg, The Unrest, East Town, and Blytheville Post Office.**

ii. **Route 66 goes to the movies - no new report.**

iii. **2024 Iris Tour - Press Release and Tour Info ready.**

IV. Meeting Adjourned at 5:15 p.m.

Approved: _____

Rikki Smith, Secretary

Approved: _____

Patrick Tuttle, Co-Chair