Cowan Commercial Club, Inc. Monthly Meeting September 25, 2023

Jarod Pearson, President, called to order with prayer at 5:36 pm, at the Firefly Ballroom in downtown Cowan. The following people were in attendance:

Jarod Pearson – President; Amanda Wiseman- Vice-President; Rayvin Messenger – Treasurer; Stephen Feeley-At-Large Board Member; Chrissy Simoneaux – At-Large Board Member; Others included: Tom Buck, Troy Johnson, Leif Plunkit, and Chris Wiseman.

The minutes from the previous meeting were read and approved as presented. The treasury shows a balance of \$1157.59 in the special account and \$874.89 in the operating account.

The members gave a positive review of the Fall Festival weekend. The weather was a plus, and we heard many compliments on the cleanliness of the streets and the beautiful fall décor. We heard unofficial reports of profitable sales among the vendors and high attendance at the railroad museum.

Amanda gave an overview of upcoming events: R3 Banquet, Rocktober, Halloween, Police fundraiser, Christmas Parade and Marketplace. Amanda mentioned that candy donations are requested for the Halloween event. We will also pull together details for the Cookie Walk during the Marketplace event. There will likely be a similar map for the Halloween event as well.

Jarod gave an update on the Thanksgiving outreach project. After some discussion, the members agreed to support the Thanksgiving Dinner on Thanksgiving Day at The Table. Jarod will check to see if we can add the coat giveaway to that event.

Jarod reported that Tennessee Backroads Heritage will host a Fall Banquet on October 12th and will try to recruit others to go. The speaker will represent the Tennessee Entertainment Commission.

We plan to hold board elections at the next meeting. The members discussed who on the current board is planning to run again for election. We also discussed some possible nominations for the open positions.

The next meeting is scheduled for September 30th, 2023, at 5:30 pm.

With no other business discussed, meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted, Jarod Pearson

(On behalf of Brian Judd, Secretary)