

Tupelo Coliseum Commission Regular Meeting Minutes September 15, 2025

Let it be known, the Tupelo Coliseum Commission did meet in regular session on Monday, September 15, 2025, at 3:00 p.m. in the Commerce room with the following present:

Chair- Jessica Hollinger Vice Chair- Stephanie Coomer Commission Secretary- Darrell Marecle Commissioner- Gerald Peralta Commissioner- Keith Henley

Representatives of the City of Tupelo Present: Kevan Kirkpatrick —Executive Director -Cadence Bank Arena and Conference Center Leslie Bailey- Office Manager- Cadence Bank Arena and Conference Center Kim Hanna- CFO

Vice Chair Stephanie Coomer called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

Approval of minutes from August 2025 was discussed. Commission Secretary Darrell Marecle made a motion to approve the minutes as written, seconded by Commissioner Keith Henley. All commission members voted aye; the motion passed.

Financial Report

Kim Hanna discussed the financial report.

Director's Report

Kevan began his report by informing us that the Assistant Event Coordinator position had been filled and Chelsea Rinehart starts with us on 09/22.

Kevan updated us on our past events. 311 rock show for 08/29 was cancelled due to lack of ticket sales, 9/11 Memorial Stair Climb was 09/06 and we had 38 meeting events.

Kevan also gave us an update on our upcoming events. Blippi will be 10/05, Travis Tritt 10/09 and we have 46 meeting events.

Travel

Kevan will be traveling to Nashville, TN from 10/05-10/08 to the IEBA Conference.



Old Business:

None

New Business

Ratifying the conference center catering contract was discussed.

The contract with Romie's Grocery for Conference Center catering services was set to expire on September 30, 2024. It was mutually agreed upon by the parties prior to the expiration to extend this contract for an additional 4-year term pursuant to the terms of the contract. Commissioner Keith Henley made a motion to extend the contract with Romie's Grocery for an additional 4-year term, effective retroactively on October 1, 2024. the motion was seconded by Commissioner Gerald Peralta. All commission members voted aye; the motion passed.

Check Approval:

Approval of checks from August 2025 was discussed. Commissioner Gerald Peralta made a motion to approve the checks, seconded by Commissioner Keith Henley. All commission members voted aye; the motion passed.

Adjournment:

Vice Chair Stephanie Coomer adjourned the meeting at approximately 3:15 p.m.

Darrell Marecle Secretary

Jessica Hollinger

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