

**Berea Tourism Commission Minutes**  
**Business Session**  
**March 29, 2021**

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**Business Session**

Called to order at 3:31PM, Patrick Huston presiding.

**Commission Members Present:**

- Charles Arnold
- Laura Carpenter
- Patrick Huston
- Kristy Napier
- Linda Ross
- Charles Saunders
- Rick Thomas

**Support Staff Present:**

- Donna Angel
- Megan Campbell

**Visitors Present:**

- Bruce Fraley

**Discussion/ Comments Related to USDA Grant Match for Long Term  
Berea Tourism Comprehensive Strategic Plan Facilitator:**

Rick Thomas explained a potential opportunity for a grant to fund a facilitator for the Art Accelerator Successor Program to the Commission.

Mayor Bruce Fraley wrote the grant for the Commission, and worked with the Kentucky League of Cities to do a tentative budget for the grant, \$55,750.

After discussion, the Commission decided as a group that the best chance they have in getting the grant is to ask the USDA to contribute 75% and the Commission contribute 25%, which would add around \$14,000 in the 2020/2021 budget.

Rick Thomas made a motion that the Berea Tourism Commission send a letter of commitment of up to \$14,000 with the application for the Business Development Grant. Charles Saunders seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

### **Motion to Adjourn**

Charles Arnold made a motion to adjourn. Motion passed unanimously.

Meeting Adjourned at 4:09PM.