

**REPORT TO THE COUNTY BOARD  
MEETING OF DECEMBER 18, 2007**

**CVB Advisory Board Members:**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Ikhlas, Ahmed                  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Donna Marcotte |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Jamie Carroll                  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Howard Raber   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Charles Fach                   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mary Sheahen   |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jesse Farlow        | <input type="checkbox"/> Carole Shutts             |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Patricia Goldthorpe | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Emily Stoddard |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Peggy Harmston                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Sally Toepfer             |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Kelly-Train, Mary   |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ken LeGrand                    |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Annette McLane                 |  |

**CVB Staff:**

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mary Althof       | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Betsy Eaton  |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Melosa Belger     | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Judy Gratton |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Elizabeth Bulasko |  |

**GUESTS:** Dan Reimer

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**A quorum was not established, therefore, the agenda items could not be acted on.**

**It was the consensus of the CVB board to proceed with the CVB staff recommendations regarding Round #1 FY08 Local Promotional Grant Applications as presented.**

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**NEXT CVB BOARD MEETING  
6:00 P.M., THURSDAY, JANUARY 24, 2008  
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Betsy Eaton shared with the CVB Board the two articles that appeared in the Chicago Tribune and the New York Times.

The Sales Tax Comparison from the City of Galena was included in the CVB Board packets. The City of Galena shows an increase of 4.96% over the year to date last year.

The Monthly Hotel/Motel Tax Receipts Comparisons shows a 4.52% increase over the year to date last year. 2007 Hotel/Motel Tax receipts through October are up 3.06% over 2005 receipts.

Eaton has been researching the information sharing policy and does not have a draft yet. This issue will be discussed at the Department Heads meeting as a county-wide policy needs to be put in place.

We are expecting a small delivery of the 2008 Visitors Guides on Friday with the remainder being delivered next week.

We are expecting a small delivery of the 2008 Calendar of Events tomorrow with the remainder being delivered on Thursday.

Anyone who is going to Governor's Conference MUST turn in their registration form tonight. Patricia Goldthorpe, Jess Farlow and Kathie Farlow returned their registrations.

The shed renovation is almost complete. Fritz Fuchs has been deployed to Wichita with the Red Cross and will come back to finish the work on the ceiling when he returns.

The Director of Sales position has been filled. Michael Leyva will be relocating to Galena from Phoenix, AZ in February. He brings with him more than 20 years experience at the state level.

Melosa Belger presented her recommendations for the Round #1 FY08 Local Promotional Grant Applications. It was the consensus of the CVB board to proceed with the CVB staff recommendations regarding Round #1 FY08 Local Promotional Grant Applications as presented.

Mary Kelly-Train gave an update on the CVB Board nominations and submitted her intent to run for an at-large position. Mary Sheahen will be the CVB board representative to sign off on the voter certification. The consensus of the board is to have the CVB staff move forward with compiling the ballot and mailing them to the Basic Services members.

Emily Stoddard, Mary Kelly-Train, Mary Sheahen, Judy Gratton and Betsy Eaton all have a conflict with the January 15, 2008 CVB Board meeting and will be unable to attend. The meeting has been rescheduled for Thursday, January 24.