

RESOLUTION NO. 5035

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A LEASE WITH HENRY COUNTY TOURISM BUREAU TO OCCUPY SPACE IN THE CITY DEPOT BUILDING AT 224 W. THIRD STREET, AND DECLARING THAT THIS RESOLUTION SHALL BE IN FULL FORCE IMMEDIATELY.



- WHEREAS,** The City Council desires to encourage tourism in our region which promotes economic development in the community; and,
- WHEREAS,** The City entered into a lease agreement with the Henry County Tourism Bureau in 2011 (amended in 2012) for space in the municipal depot building located at 224 W. Third Street; and,
- WHEREAS,** The Henry County Tourism Bureau, a non-profit organization is an entity uniquely qualified and best able to promote tourism in and around Kewanee; and,
- WHEREAS,** One of the recommendation of the adopted Economic Development Plan is to “establish well defined relationships with economic development partners in the community/region;” and,
- WHEREAS,** the previously developed lease agreement is expired and contained no scope of work for which the Henry County Tourism Bureau was responsible; and
- WHEREAS,** The Illinois Municipal Code, at 65 ILCS 5/11-76-1 allows the City Council to authorize leases of municipal real estate for terms not exceeding 2 years in such manner as they may determine; and,
- WHEREAS,** The Illinois Municipal Code, at 65 ILCS 5/8-1-2.5 allows the City Council to appropriate and expend funds for economic development purposes including the making of grants to governmental or commercial enterprises when said grant is deemed desirable for the promotion of economic development with the City.


NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE KEWANEE CITY COUNCIL, IN COUNCIL ASSEMBLED, AS FOLLOWS:

- Section 1** The City Manager is hereby authorized to execute the attached lease with the Henry County Tourism Bureau for use of office space in the municipal depot building at 224 W. Third Street.
- Section 2** This Resolution shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its passage and approval as provided by law.

Adopted by the Council of the City of Kewanee, Illinois this 13th day of February, 2017.

ATTEST:



Melinda Edwards, City Clerk


Steve Looney, Mayor

RECORD OF THE VOTE	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Mayor Steve Looney	X			
Council Member Andrew Koehler	X			
Council Member Deann Schweitzer	X			
Council Member Kellie Wallace-McKenna	X			
Council Member Michael Yaklich	X			