“Drones take pictures around Norfolk”

That drone you see hovering over the Elkhorn River, AquaVenture Water Park and the Cowboy Trail this week isn’t the toy of a hobbyist or a secret agent’s spy camera. The Norfolk Area Visitors Bureau has contracted a company that does professional photography using a drone to take photos of major attractions in the Norfolk area.

According to Kim Kwapnioski with the Visitors Bureau, the drone was used this past weekend to take pictures at Ta-Ha-Zouka Park, AquaVenture Water Park, Memorial Field and the Cowboy Trail. The company had taken pictures at the Madison County Fair in July and will be in Norfolk on Thursday to take pictures of Music in the Park, Downtown Norfolk and 13th Street.

Kwapnioski said the Visitors Bureau contracted with Digital Sky which is FAA Licensed for Commercial Aircraft Pilots and the images and videos from the drones are of high quality.

“The cameras on these drones are much more advanced than the “GoPro” type of cameras you might see on drones owned and operated by amateurs. The photos and videos that we get from the company have been really good and will be used to promote the Norfolk area for years to come,” Kwapnioski said.