

# NEDERLAND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

## Minutes February 15, 2017

### MEETING

A meeting of the Nederland Economic Development Corporation was called to order at 4:31 p.m. at the Nederland Economic Development Corporation Office, 1519 Boston Avenue, by President Craig J. Belaire.

### QUORUM

Board members present: Billy Neal, Bert Rogers, Craig J. Belaire, Regan Meaux and Sylvia Root. Absent: Mike Roebuck and Brian Swindel. Others present: Jim Wimberley, Attorney, Kay DeCuir, NEDC Executive Director and Christinia Herrmann, NEDC Administrative Secretary. Guest present: Chris Duque, City Manager

### INVOCATION AND PLEDGE TO AMERICAN FLAG

Bert Rogers gave the invocation and Craig J. Belaire led the Pledge.

### MINUTES

**A motion was made by Bert Rogers and seconded by Regan Meaux to approve the minutes of December 14, 2016.**

**Motion carried.**

**Ayes: Belaire, Meaux, Neal, Rogers, and Root.**

**Noes: None. Absent: Roebuck and Swindel**

### EXECUTIVE SESSION

The regular meeting was recessed at 4:35 p.m. by President Craig J. Belaire for the purpose of conducting an Executive Session as authorized by the Texas Government Code, Chapter 551.087, to discuss the offer of an incentive to a business prospect; Texas Government Code Chapter 551.071 to discuss litigation and/or legal advice; or Texas Government Code, Chapter 551.072 to discuss potential acquisition, exchange, and/or release of property.

### RECONVENE

The regular meeting was reconvened by President Craig J. Belaire at 4:43 p.m. President Belaire announced no action was needed on Texas Government Code, Chapter 551.072 to discuss potential acquisition, exchange, and/or release of property; or Texas Government Code Chapter 551.071 to discuss litigation and/or legal advice; or Texas Government Code, Chapter 551.087 to discuss the offer of an incentive to a business prospect.

### PRIDE

A discussion was held regarding applications for the PRIDE Program.

An application was received from a business, Boss Burgers for a project consisting of signage located at 1147 Boston Avenue in Nederland, TX. They are requesting one thousand sixteen dollars and no/100 (\$1,016.00) for a project totaling two thousand sixty-five dollars and .76/100 (\$2,065.76).

**A motion was made by Billy Neal and seconded by Regan Meaux to approve the PRIDE Program application for Boss Burger in the amount not to exceed one thousand sixteen dollars and no/100(\$1,016.00) for signage at 1147 Boston Avenue in Nederland, Texas**

**Motion carried.**

## **FINANCIALS**

Kay shared the October and November 2016 Financial Reports. Sales Tax Receivable for October was seventy-three thousand five hundred sixty dollars and .50/100 (\$73,560.50) and sixty two thousand three hundred eighty dollars and .06/100 (\$62,380.06) for November.

## **COMMUNICATION**

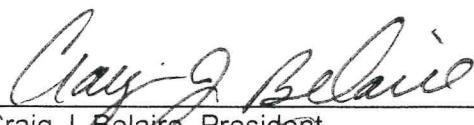
Kay DeCuir informed the Board of the following:

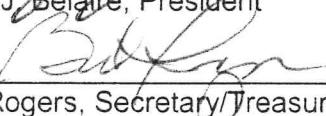
- The next board meeting would be March 22, 2017 due to the Heritage Festival the week of March 13, 2017.
- PRIDE Stats- Out of the \$160,000.00 Budget, we have a remaining balance of \$41,016.05
  - Tommy Roberts of PAX Supply thanked the EDC Board for his award and commended the EDC on the PRIDE Program
- Spring Market Day will be held Saturday, May 20, 2017
- Light Up Nederland Contest – we have designed a T-shirt which we will sell and proceeds will go to support the Light Up Nederland Contest. The t-shirt has been school approved so we will share proceeds with the school/PTA on the t-shirts they sell
- New Nederland Businesses
  - Woogies- slated to open in January will open in April due to delays by landlord and prior commitments with YMEL Southeast Texas Fair
  - Bloom 827 – bakery (former Barbara Bon Bons)
  - Bauble and Bliss – moved out of Boston Emporium into their own building
  - Elite Nails – will be opening in the next few weeks
  - inspirational Linens opened on Nederland Avenue
  - Paisley Peach Children's Boutique opened inside Chatzkies and Sassy Trendz
  - Exterior Staircase has been replaced and includes a locking gate.
  - Monday, February 20<sup>th</sup> is President's Day and the EDC Office will be closed

President Belaire asked for status on Newtron. Kay advised Newtron cancel contract on building purchase due to asbestos in building and she offered them the opportunity to lease in Phase 4 at The Landing. If they choose to lease at The Landing, they will need to meet the required specifications for building.

## **ADJOURN**

There being no further business, President Belaire adjourned the meeting at 4:55 pm.

  
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Craig J. Belaire, President

  
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Bert Rogers, Secretary/Treasurer