

# NEDERLAND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

## Minutes June 17, 2015

### MEETING

A meeting of the Nederland Economic Development Corporation was called to order at 4:15 p.m. at the Nederland Economic Development Corporation Office, 1519 Boston Avenue, by President Jim McNeill.

### QUORUM

Board members present: Don Albanese, Craig Belaire, Larry Ducharme, Regan Meaux, Bert Rogers, Randy Sonnier, and Jim McNeill. Absent: None. Others present: Kay DeCuir, NEDC Executive Director and Christinia Herrmann, NEDC Administrative Secretary. Guests present: None

### MINUTES

**A motion was made by Craig Belaire and seconded by Bert Rogers to approve the minutes of May 20, 2015.**

**Motion carried.**

**Ayes: Albanese, Belaire, Ducharme, Meaux, McNeill, Rogers, and Sonnier.**

**Noes: None. Absent: None**

### EXECUTIVE SESSION

The regular meeting was recessed at 4:16 p.m. by President Jim McNeill 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; Texas Government Code Chapter 551.072, to discuss acquisition, exchange, and/or release of property and Texas Government Code Chapter 551.074, to discuss Personnel – Executive Director.

### RECONVENE

The regular meeting was reconvened by President McNeill at 4:37 p.m. President McNeill announced the following action is needed on Texas Government Code, Chapter 551.087, to discuss the offer of an incentive to a business prospect;

**A motion was made by Randy Sonnier and seconded by Larry Ducharme to approve the expenditure of funds, not to exceed fifty thousand dollars and no/100 (\$50000.00) for Riceland Emergency Center, a new Emergency Center located at 27<sup>th</sup> Street and Highway 365 in Nederland, Texas.**

**Motion carried.**

**Ayes: Albanese, Belaire, Ducharme, Meaux, McNeill, Rogers and Sonnier.**

**Noes: None. Absent: None**

President McNeill announced no action was needed on Texas Government Code Chapter 551.071 to discuss litigation and/or legal advice.

President McNeill announced no action was needed on Texas Government Code, Chapter 551.072 discuss potential acquisition, exchange, and/or release of property.

President McNeill announced no action was needed on Texas Government Code Chapter 551.074 to discuss Personnel – Executive Director.

**PRIDE PROGRAM**

A discussion was held regarding applications for the PRIDE Program.

An application was received from a new business, Texas Best Lawn for a project consisting of landscaping, signage, painting and parking lot improvements located at 320 S. Twin City Highway in Nederland, TX. They are requesting eight thousand fifty-two dollars and .07/100 (\$8052.07) for a project totaling sixteen thousand one hundred four dollars and .14/100 (\$16,104.14).

**A motion was made by Bert Rogers and seconded by Larry Ducharme to approve the PRIDE Program application for Texas Best Lawn in the amount not to exceed eight thousand fifty-two dollars and .07/100 (\$8052.07) for landscaping, signage, painting and parking lot improvements at 320 S. Twin City Highway in Nederland, Texas.**

**Motion carried.**

**Ayes: Albanese, Belaire, Ducharme, Meaux, McNeill, Rogers and Sonnier.**

**Noes: None. Absent: None**

An application was received from a new business, Eleven and Co for a project consisting of signage and landscaping located at 3123 Nederland Avenue in Nederland, TX. They are requesting one thousand thirty-two dollars and .16/100 (\$1032.16) for a project totaling two thousand sixty-four dollars and .32/100 (\$2064.32).

**A motion was made by Randy Sonnier and seconded by Bert Rogers to approve the PRIDE Program application for Eleven and Co in the amount not to exceed one thousand thirty-two dollars and .16/100 (\$1032.16) for landscaping and signage at 3123 Nederland Avenue in Nederland, Texas.**

**Motion carried.**

**Ayes: Albanese, Belaire, Ducharme, Meaux, McNeill, Rogers and Sonnier.**

**Noes: None. Absent: NONE**

An application was received from Classy Peacock for a project consisting of stuccoing exterior, removing mansard roof and installing canopies over windows and doors and painting brick located at 1208 Nederland Avenue, Nederland, TX. They are requesting ten thousand dollars and no/100 (\$10,000.00) for a project totaling seventy-five to ninety thousand dollars and no/100 (\$75,000.00 to \$90,000.00).

**A motion was made by Larry Ducharme and seconded by Randy Sonnier to approve the PRIDE Program application for Classy Peacock in the amount not to exceed ten thousand dollars and no/100 (\$10,000.00) for stuccoing exterior, removing mansard**

roof, installing canopies over windows and doors and painting brick at 1208 Nederland Avenue in Nederland, TX 77627.

**Motion carried.**

**Ayes:** Albanese, Belaire, Ducharme, Meaux, McNeill, Rogers and Sonnier.

**Noes:** None. **Absent:** NONE

### **FINANCIAL REPORTS**

Director Kay DeCuir shared the May Financial Reports.

### **2015 – 2016 BUDGET**

Director Kay DeCuir proposed the 2015 – 2016 Budget will be an increase of seventy thousand nine hundred sixty-two dollars (\$70,962.00) over the 2014 – 2015 Budget. The budget items increased are; Contractual Services, Utilities, Personnel, Special Programs, Advertising / Marketing and Financial Services.

**A motion was made by Randy Sonnier and seconded by Bert Rogers to approve the 2015-2106 Budget as proposed with an increase of seventy thousand nine hundred sixty-two dollars and no/100 (\$70,962.00).**

**Motion carried.**

**Ayes:** Albanese, Belaire, Ducharme, Meaux, McNeill, Rogers and Sonnier.

**Noes:** None. **Absent:** NONE

### **COMMUNICATION**

Kay DeCuir read a Thank You Letter received from Nederland Police Chief Darrell Bush for recognition extended to the Nederland Police Department during National Police Week by the Nederland EDC.

Don Albanese commended Kay DeCuir on the presentation given at the Economic Development Summit. Mr. Albanese stated he was very pleased with the way Kay represented the Nederland EDC.

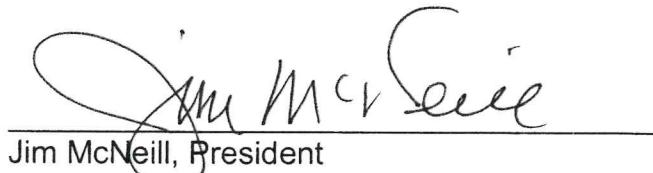
### **ADJOURN**

**There being no further business, a motion was made by Regan Meaux and seconded by Randy Sonnier that the meeting be adjourned at 4:52 p.m.**

**Motion carried.**

**Ayes:** Albanese, Belaire, Ducharme, Meaux, McNeill, Rogers and Sonnier.

**Noes:** None. **Absent:** NONE



Jim McNeill, President



Larry Ducharme, Secretary/Treasurer