



NEDERLAND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

Minutes November 15, 2017

MEETING

A meeting of the Nederland Economic Development Corporation was called to order at 4:36 p.m. at the Nederland Economic Development Corporation Office, 1519 Boston Avenue, by President Regan Meaux.

QUORUM

Board members present: Billy Neal, Bert Rogers, Craig J. Belaire, Regan Meaux, Mike Roebuck, Sylvia Root and Brian Swindel. Absent: None. Others present: Jim Wimberley, Attorney, Kay DeCuir, NEDC Executive Director and Christinia Herrmann, NEDC Administrative Secretary.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE TO AMERICAN FLAG

Bert Rogers gave the invocation and Regan Meaux led the Pledge.

MINUTES

A motion was made by Billy Neal and seconded by Craig Belaire to approve the minutes of October 11, 2017

Motion carried.

Ayes: Belaire, Meaux, Neal, Roebuck, Rogers, Root and Swindel.

Noes: None. Absent: None.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The regular meeting was recessed at 4:37 p.m. by President Regan Meaux 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 Regan Meaux at 5:40 p.m. President Meaux announced no action was needed on 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.

President Meaux announced action was needed on Texas Government Code Chapter 551.087 to discuss the offer of an incentive to a business prospect;

Craig Belaire made a motion and Sylvia Root seconded the motion to enter into an agreement with Arceneaux, Wilson and Cole Engineering for the Airport Project to be done in two phases.

Motion carried.

Ayes: Belaire, Meaux, Neal, Roebuck, Rogers, Root and Swindel.

Noes: None. Absent: None.

A motion was made by Craig Belaire and seconded by Bert Rogers to authorize Executive Director Kay DeCuir to obtain pricing on road in Phase I of Airport Project.

Motion carried.

Ayes: Belaire, Meaux, Neal, Roebuck, Rogers, Root and Swindel.

Noes: None. Absent: None.

FINANCIALS

Kay DeCuir gave a brief training to Board of Directors on non-confidential/economic development matters and analysis of financial statements and related budget impacts of same. She reminded Board that monthly financials would not be available until January due to Accountings yearend processing.

PRIDE PROGRAM

An application was received from a business, Unique Nails for a project consisting of signage, parking lot improvement and signage for complex located at 3123c Nederland Avenue in Nederland, TX. They are requesting eight thousand fourteen dollars and 50/100 (\$8,014.50) for a project totaling sixteen thousand twenty-nine dollars and .no /100 (\$16,029.00).

A motion was made by Bert Rogers and seconded by Billy Neal to approve the PRIDE Program application for Unique Nails in the amount not to exceed eight thousand fourteen dollars and .50/100(\$8,014.50) for signage, parking lot improvements and painting at 3123c Nederland Avenue in Nederland, Texas

Motion carried.

Ayes: Belaire, Meaux, Neal, Roebuck, Rogers, Root and Swindel.

Noes: None. Absent: None.

An application was received from a business, Artisan Vapor Company for a project consisting of storefront signage and graphics located at 401 S. Memorial Hwy., Suite 371 in Nederland, TX. They are requesting three thousand four hundred sixty-two dollars and .10/100 (\$3462.10) for a project totaling six thousand nine hundred twenty-four dollars and .20/100 (\$6,924.20).

A motion was made by Billy Neal and Brian Swindel to approve the PRIDE Program application for Artisan Vapor Company in the amount not to exceed three thousand four hundred sixty-two dollars and .10/100 (\$3462.10) for signage and graphics located at 401 S. Memorial Hwy., Suite 371 in Nederland, TX.

Motion carried.

Ayes: Belaire, Meaux, Neal, Roebuck, Rogers, Root and Swindel.

Noes: None. Absent: None.

NEDC ROOF

A motion was made by Mike Roebuck and seconded by Billy Neal authorizing Executive Director Kay DeCuir to have roof replaced at NEDC, 1519 Boston Avenue, not to exceed ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00), after Roebuck contacts Abshire Roofing to obtain current rates per square.

Motion carried.

Ayes: Belaire, Meaux, Neal, Roebuck, Rogers, Root and Swindel.

Noes: None. Absent: None

COMMUNICATION

Kay DeCuir shared

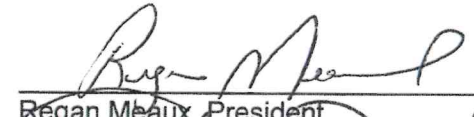
- Rao's Bakery received an incentive of ninety-four thousand five hundred dollars (\$94,500.00) in 2008 and their obligation was met on November 7, 2017 and monitoring file closed.

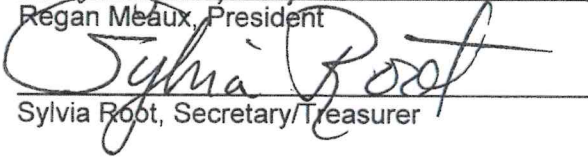
- She had requested Attorney Jim Wimberley issue Demand Letters to Mack McPhatter and Junkin' Gypsies for repayment of PRIDE Awards as each did not fulfill obligation of remaining in owning and/or remaining in business the required length of time. Mack McPhatter sold his building and Junkin' Gypsies closed.
- Announcements / Upcoming Events
 - City Wide Pep Rally Thursday, November 16th
 - Christmas on The Avenue, December 2nd
 - Chamber Mixer
- The EDC staff was finishing up on the annual Shop Nederland tabloid which will include one hundred eight (108) ads.
- Light Up Nederland Contest has been kicked off and we will need a minimum of 10 entries in each category (Residential and Business) in order to justify hold the contest this year

President Meaux thanked Craig Belaire for City Council assistance.

ADJOURN

There being no further business, President Meaux adjourned the meeting at 5:50 pm.


Regan Meaux, President


Sylvia Root, Secretary/Treasurer