

NEDERLAND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

Minutes December 18, 2013

MEETING

A meeting of the Nederland Economic Development Corporation was called to order at 4:30 p.m. at the Nederland Economic Development Corporation Office, 1903 Atlanta Avenue, by President Jimmy McNeill.

QUORUM

Board members present: Don Albanese, Craig Belaire, Jim McNeill, Bert Rogers and Randy Sonnier. Absent: Larry Ducharme and Regan Meaux. Others present: Jim Wimberley, NEDC Attorney, Kay DeCuir NEDC Executive Director. Guest present: Chris Duque, Nederland City Manager.

MINUTES

A motion was made by Craig Belaire and seconded by Bert Rogers to approve the minutes of November 20, 2013.

Motion carried.

Ayes: Albanese, Belaire, McNeill, Rogers and Sonnier

Noes: None. Absent: Ducharme and Meaux

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The regular meeting was recessed at 4:35 p.m. by President 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 advise; and Texas Government Code Chapter 551.072, to discuss acquisition, exchange, and/or release of property.

RECONVENE

The regular meeting was reconvened by President McNeill at 5:00 p.m. President McNeill announced no action is needed on Texas Government Code, Chapter 551.887, to discuss and/or deliberate concerning financial and /or commercial information received from potential business prospects regarding potential economic development incentive; Texas Government Code Chapter 551.071 to discuss litigation and/or legal advise and Texas Government Code, Chapter 551.072 discuss potential acquisition, exchange, and/or release of property.

PRIDE PROGRAM

A discussion was held regarding applications for the PRIDE Program.

An application was received from Old Mercantile Antiques for a project which consists of new building façade located at 1166 Boston Avenue in Nederland, Texas. They are requesting four thousand two hundred fifty dollars and no/100 ((\$4,250.00) for a project totaling eight thousand five hundred dollars and no/100 (\$8,500.00).

A motion was made by Craig Belaire and seconded by Bert Rogers to approve the PRIDE Program application for Old Mercantile Antiques in the amount not to exceed four thousand two hundred fifty dollars and no/100 (\$4,250.00) for new building façade located at 1166 Boston Avenue in Nederland, Texas.

Motion carried.

Ayes: Albanese, Belaire, McNeill, Rogers and Sonnier.

Noes: None. Absent: Ducharme and Meaux.

An application was received from Eaton Meats for a project which consists of enclosing the front porch located at 2505 Nederland Avenue in Nederland, Texas. They are requesting ten thousand dollars and no/100 (\$10,000.00) for a project totaling twenty nine thousand eight hundred sixty dollars and no/100 (\$29,860.00).

The project was voted down because it doesn't qualify for PRIDE since it is construction of facility.

An application was received from American Real Estate-Holly Hinds for a project which consists of a sign located at 906 S. Twin City Highway in Nederland, Texas. They are requesting four thousand four hundred seventy eight dollars and 84/100 for a project totaling eight thousand nine hundred fifty seven dollars and 68/100.

A motion was made by Don Albanese and seconded by Randy Sonnier to approve the PRIDE Program application for American Real Estate-Holly Hinds in the amount not to exceed four thousand four hundred seventy eight dollars and 84/100 for a sign located at 906 S. Twin City Highway in Nederland, Texas.

Motion carried.

Ayes: Albanese, Belaire, McNeill, Rogers and Sonnier.

Noes: None. Absent: Ducharme and Meaux.

COMMUNICATION

Kay DeCuir presented the Board with a written Executive Director's Report with each item detailing activities of the NEDC office since the last Board meeting.

ADJOURN

There being no further business, a motion was made by Bert Rogers and seconded by Randy Sonnier that the meeting be adjourned at 5:15 p.m.

Motion carried.

Ayes: Albanese, Belaire, McNeill, Rogers and Sonnier.

Noes: None. Absent: Ducharme and Meaux

Jimmy McNeill, President

Larry Ducharme, Secretary/Treasurer