

# **NEDERLAND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION**

## **Minutes October 23, 2019**

### **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, 1519 Boston Avenue, by President Brian Swindel.

### **QUORUM**

Board members present: Don Albanese, Regan Meaux, Billy Neal, Sylvia Root and Brian Swindel. Absent: Stuart Kieschnick and Mike Roebuck. Others present: Jim Wimberley, NEDC Attorney, Kay DeCuir, NEDC Executive Director and Christinia Herrmann, NEDC Administrative Secretary.

### **INVOCATION AND PLEDGE TO AMERICAN FLAG**

Kay DeCuir gave the invocation and Don Albanese led the Pledge.

### **2019-2020 ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

Kay DeCuir stated Nomination and Election of Officers was done during the September Meeting. Brian Swindel was elected President, Sylvia Root was elected Vice-President and Stuart Kieschnick was elected Secretary-Treasurer.

### **RECOGNITION OF OUTGOING BOARD PRESIDENT, REGAN MEAUX**

President Swindel recognized outgoing President Meaux for his dedication and thanked him for his work as Board President. President Swindel presented Regan Meaux a Certificate of Appreciation.

### **MINUTES**

A motion was made by Sylvia Root and seconded by Regan Meaux to approve the minutes of September 11, 2019.

Motion carried.

Ayes: Albanese, Meaux, Neal, Root and Swindel.

Noes: Kieschnick and Roebuck. Absent: None.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The regular meeting was recessed at 4:33 p.m. by President Swindel 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; or Texas Government Code Chapter 551.071 to discuss litigation and/or legal advice;

### **RECONVENE**

The regular meeting was reconvened by President Swindel at 5:03 p.m. President Swindel announced no action was needed on Texas Government Code, Chapter 551.087, to offer an incentive to a business prospect;

President Swindel announced action was needed on Texas Government Code Chapter 551.071 litigation and/or legal advice;

**A motion was made by Don Albanese and seconded by Billy Neal authorizing Jim Wimberley, NEDC Attorney to present a lease to Alex Rupp, Airport Manager.**

**Motion carried.**

**Ayes: Albanese, Meaux, Neal, Root and Swindel.**

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

### **PRIDE**

An application was received from a business, GS Beaumont Enterprise, LP, (dba Subway), for a project consisting of signage, and parking lot improvements at 1807 Nederland Avenue in Nederland, TX. They are requesting ten thousand dollars and no/100 (\$10,000.00) on a project totaling twenty-one thousand five hundred twenty-eight dollars and .13/100 (\$21,528.13).

**A motion was made by Sylvia Root and seconded by Billy Neal to approve the PRIDE Program application for GS Beaumont Enterprise, LP (dba Subway) in the amount not to exceed ten thousand dollars and no/100 (\$10,000.00)**

**Motion carried.**

**Ayes: Albanese, Meaux, Neal, Root and Swindel.**

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

An application was received from a business, Keilers Holdings, Inc dba Cy-Fair Tire, for a project consisting of signage at 2307 Nederland Avenue in Nederland, TX. They are requesting ten thousand dollars and no/100 (\$10,000.00) on a project totaling twenty-two thousand five hundred dollars and no/100 (\$22,500.00).

**A motion was made by Billy Neal and seconded by Regan Meaux to approve the PRIDE Program application for GS Keilers Holdings, Inc dba Cy-Fair Tire in the amount not to exceed ten thousand dollars and no/100 (\$10,000.00)**

**Motion carried.**

**Ayes: Albanese, Meaux, Neal, Root and Swindel.**

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

### **FINANCIALS**

The August Balance Sheet was shared with Board Members and Executive Director, Kay DeCuir reminder Board that September was the end of Fiscal Year and the Finance Department was preparing for annual audit. The Year End Financials and the financials for remaining months of this year will be available in January or February of 2020.

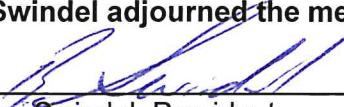
### **COMMUNICATION**

Executive Director Kay DeCuir shared the following

- Fall Market Day was held on Saturday, October 19<sup>th</sup> and many of the stores and vendors had high sales that day. A recently opened Resale shop had an extremely good day.
- Last year NEDC applied for a Community Economic Development Award through the Texas Economic Development Council (TEDC) and received a Merit Award for Resiliency for the aftermath of Hurricane Harvey
- This year NEDC applied for a Community Economic Development Award through TEDC and received a Merit Award for Business Retention and Expansion
- Five Christmas billboards are up around the area promoting Shop Local, Shop Nederland, Shop Often
- Considering purchasing a small drone for use on future projects

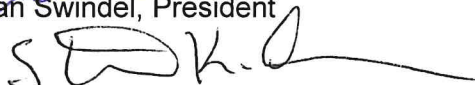
**ADJOURN**

**There being no further business, President Swindel adjourned the meeting at 5:12 pm.**



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Brian Swindel, President



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Stuart Kieschnick, Secretary/Treasurer

