

NEDERLAND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

Minutes October 16, 2024

MEETING

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

QUORUM

Board members present: Bret Duplant, Billy Wayne Doornbos, Mitch Macon, Kasey Taylor, Don Albanese, Billy Neal, Anthony Touns.

Others present Kay DeCuir Nederland EDC Executive Director, Maggie Guillot, Nederland EDC Admin. Asst., Cheryl Dowden, Nederland EDC Finance Manager, and Jim Wimberley, Nederland EDC Attorney.

Absent: None.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE

Bret Duplant gave the Invocation and led the Pledge.

MINUTES

A motion was made by Mitch Macon and seconded by Billy Wayne Doornbos to approve the minutes of the September 25, 2024 meeting.

Motion Carried

Ayes: Billy Wayne Doornbos, Mitch Macon, Kasey Taylor, Don Albanese, Billy Neal, Bret Duplant.

Absent: None.

Abstain: Anthony Touns.

Noes: None.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The regular meeting was recessed at 4:32 p.m. by President Bret Duplant for the purpose of conducting an Executive Session of the Nederland Economic Development Corporation, as authorized by the Texas Government Code Chapter 551.087 Deliberations regarding Economic Development Incentives; 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.

RECONVENE

The regular meeting was reconvened by President Bret Duplant at 4:44 p.m. announced no action was needed on Texas Government Code Chapter 551.087 Deliberations regarding Economic Development Incentives; no action was needed for Texas Government Code Chapter 551.071 to discuss litigation and/or legal advice; and no action was not needed for Texas Government Code Chapter 551.072 to discuss acquisition, exchange and/or release of property.

BOARD OFFICER ELECTIONS

Effective November 2024, the Nederland EDC Board will have new officers after our election was held at today's meeting. President: Anthony Touns. Vice President: Kasey Taylor. Secretary/Treasurer: Billy Wayne Doornbos.

A motion was made by Billy Wayne Doornbos and seconded by Don Albanese to approve a PRIDE Program in the amount of \$4,979.50 (four thousand nine hundred seventy-nine dollars 50/00) for Brush Bar to be located at 3003 Nederland Avenue, Suite 104. Total project for signage is \$9,959.00 (nine thousand nine hundred fifty-nine dollars 00/00).

Motion Carried

Ayes: Bret Duplant, Billy Wayne Doornbos, Billy Neal, Don Albanese, Kasey Taylor, Mitch Macon, Anthony Toups

Absent: None.

Noes: None.

FINACIALS

Cheryl Dowden, Nederland EDC Finance Manager, presented the financials.

A motion was made by Kasey Taylor and seconded by Mitch Macon to approve the financials as presented by Cheryl Dowden.

Motion Carried

Ayes: Bret Duplant, Billy Wayne Doornbos, Billy Neal, Don Albanese, Kasey Taylor, Mitch Macon, Anthony Toups.

Absent: None.

Noes: None.

COMMUNICATION

The Director shared the following with the Board;

- We finished our 2024 Fall Concert Series and it went well. There were about 135 people in attendance each concert. Our commercial for the Fall Concert series that was free, was updated after we had to postpone the first concert to make sure the correct dates were advertised. We also created a Facebook page for our Fall Concert Series in 2025, which will be every Thursday in October.
- We have 95 vendors for 2024 Nederland Fall Market Day. The bank drive-thru parking lot will be used as a food court for the food vendors. Nederland Fall Market Day next year will be October 18, 2025.
- We made 7 trips to Troop Industrial over the last week to drop off donations that we had received for the hurricanes that have hit Florida and other states surrounding it.
- Power is on at Off Boston Development. Once the project is complete, we will have an open house for realtors and the public to tour the units.
- 1132 Atlanta Avenue on Off Boston closes next week.
- The fiberglass Dutch shoe we had made is now being painted by the art students at Nederland High School. We will be giving scholarships for their help. The one shoe we are having painted now will be at the Fall Market Day to show what we are selling. 14 more fiberglass Dutch shoes are in production now. The shoes are made gold with NEDERLAND molded into the top for \$420.00, unpainted.
- The 3 picnic and 3 octagon tables for Off Boston have been assembled, except for one that was missing a few pieces. The name plates for the sponsors of the tables will be installed shortly.
- We are still working on getting quotes for the tear-down of the bank drive-thru.
- Next week, the Director will be at the TEDC conference.
- The banners for our Off Boston Light poles came in this week. We have a Christmas banner and a banner for the remainder of the year.
- October 22 and October 29 is our Celebration of Business Dinner.
- QuickBooks Training will be November 14.

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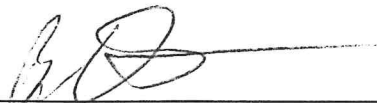
There being no further business, a motion was made by Bret Duplant and seconded by Mitch Macon to adjourn the meeting at 5:10 p.m.

Motion Carried


Ayes: Bret Duplant, Billy Wayne Doornbos, Billy Neal, Don Albanese, Kasey Taylor, Mitch Macon, Anthony Toups.

Absent: None.

Noes: None.



Bret Duplant, President



Billy Wayne Doornbos, Vice President or Mitch Macon,
Sec/Treasurer