

**GONZALES ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION  
SPECIAL MEETING  
GONZALES MUNICIPAL BUILDING 820 ST. JOSEPH STREET  
MINUTES – APRIL 8, 2019 – 12:00 PM**

**CALL TO ORDER**

President Dewey Smith, called the meeting to order at 12:01 p.m.

Dewey Smith, Dan Blakemore, Tommy Cox, Steve Sucher. Gerri Lawing arrived a few minutes late. Larry Wehde was absent. Other attendees included Genora Young, President/CEO, and Jeff Moore, GEDC Attorney, on a conference call.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Anne Dollery, Parks, Recreation & JB Wells Manager, provided information about the upcoming Texas Junior High Rodeo Finals the last weekend and week of May. She expressed the need for volunteers. She asked how to get on a list for the use of GVEC fans. Gerri Lawing stated that she would contact Ms. Dollery at a later date.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

1. Accept Public Comment for the expenditure of funds in the amount of \$200,000.00, for materials and construction for the improvements of approximately 2,850 of rail track and roadbed in TXGN's existing right-of-way located within the City of Gonzales, Texas

There being no one signed up to make comment, President Dewey Smith closed the Public Hearing.

**ACTION ITEMS**

2. Discuss, Consider, and Possible action approving the grant application from TXGN, in the amount of \$200,000.00, and authorizing Dewey Smith, Board President, and Genora Young, President/CEO, to finalize negotiations of a Performance Agreement, and upon project/funding approval by the Gonzales City Council, authorizing Dewey Smith, Board President, to execute said Performance Agreement

G. Young presented the updated versions of the red-line and clean versions of the Performance Agreement. Ms. Young and Mr. Moore explained the Terms of the Agreement. D. Blakemore explained how and why the improvements were recommended the specific location outlined in the Performance Agreement. Ms. Lawing for clarification about the issues regarding requirements for a fire sprinkle system. Steven Gresham, General Manager for TXGN, informed the Board TXGN would come back to the Board if there were any issues. Steve Sucher moved to approve the Performance Agreement as presented. Tommy Cox seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

**ADJOURN**

The Board remained in Open Session while they enjoyed lunch sponsored by GVEC. The Board did not discuss business nor was any action taken. The meeting Adjourned at approximately 1:15 p.m.

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Dewey Smith, President

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Gerri Lawing, Secretary