

**CITY OF GONZALES, TEXAS  
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION MEETING  
GONZALES MUNICIPAL BUILDING  
820 ST. JOSEPH STREET  
MINUTES – JUNE 25, 2018 - 6:00 PM**

**CALL TO ORDER, INVOCATION, AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCES**

Dewey Smith, Board President called the meeting to order at 6:04 P.M. and led the Pledge to the American and Texas Flags. James Hamilton offered a prayer. Mr. Smith certified a quorum of the Board with Tommy Cox, Gerri Lawing, Steve Sucher, Dan Blakemore, James Hamilton, and Dewey Smith present. James Ryan was absent.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

The public comments section of the meeting is for citizens to address the Gonzales Economic Development Directors (as a whole). No interaction will be held between the speaker and the GEDC.

There being no Public Comments, Mr. Smith moved to item No. 1

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

1. May 30, 2018 Meeting Minutes  
S. Sucher moved to approve the minutes as presented.

**DISCUSSION ITEMS (No Action)**

2. Receive and Discuss information from Kim Strozier, PhD, GISD Superintendent, regarding GISD Tax Ratification Election (TRE)  
Dr. Kim Strozier provided a brief overview of the Tax Ratification Election (TRE) to be held on Saturday, August 25, 2018. She provided a hand-out for the Board. The Board members did not have questions.
3. Receive and Discuss information from representatives of the Museum Board regarding potential funding request  
Sandra Mauldin, Chairman of the Gonzales Museum Advisory Board, Anne Covert, Secretary/Treasurer and Brent Baker, Museum Advisory Board members were present. Ms. Mauldin presented information regarding maintenance issues at the Memorial Museum. Ms. Mauldin indicated that the Museum Board may request \$50,000 for assistance. The GEDC Board members indicated they wanted to see more detailed information.
4. Discuss expectations of the July 12 – 13, 2018 Workshop/Planning Session  
The first half-day is intended for the GEDC Board and invited guests. Alysia Cook will provide a preliminary agenda for the Board to review prior to the meeting. Discussion included whether the GEDC should continue to lend money or move into Performance grants. The Board also discussed policies, procedures and Bylaws. Ms. Young will provide a copy of The Economic Handbook prior to the Workshop/Planning Session.
5. Discuss the 2018-2019 FY Budget  
Ms. Young provided the Budget Worksheet, a list of the Budget line items, account numbers, Line item YTD balances, and justifications for additional funds in existing accounts or new line items. Ideally, the Board would conduct a Budget Workshop during the regularly scheduled meeting date, July 23, 2018.

## **ACTION ITEMS**

6. Discuss and Consider approval of the First Amendment to the Loan Agreement by and between WinBin Ventures, LLC and Gonzales Economic Development Corporation and Resolution to present for City Council consideration. Ms. Young presented the legal document with the Amended conditions and a new amortization schedule. Terms of the Agreement are 5-year pay-out at a rate of 3.75% with a balloon payment at the end of the loan. G. Lawing moved to approve the terms of the Loan Agreement and the Promissory note as presented. J. Hamilton seconded the motion. Motion carried.
7. Discuss and Consider quotes for HVAC systems at the Lynn Theater  
Ms. Young provided the list of companies she reached out to for quotes; Kardosz, Whites, and Harwood Heating. Cliff Anderson contacted Robert Noriega. Whites Svc. Co. was the only quote received. S. Sucher moved to table the item until the next regularly scheduled meeting with the understanding that the Board will receive additional quotes. J. Hamilton seconded the motion. Further discussion included the structure, the addition to the original structure, business practices of the tenant, and a tour of the Lynn Theater. G. Lawing requested that the ticket booth be closed when the theater is closed. D. Smith called for the vote. The motion carried.
8. Discuss and Consider the purchase of a Come and Take It Flag, not to exceed \$2,000.00, to be donated to the Gonzales High School Band for promotions/marketing during Half-time of the Apache High School Football games and other appropriate High School functions  
T. Cox moved to approve the purchase of one 12' X 18' Come and Take It Flag, not to exceed \$1,000, to be donated to the Gonzales High School. S. Sucher seconded the motion. G. Lawing stated that she is opposed. D. Smith called for the vote. Dewey Smith, Tommy Cox, and Steve Sucher voted Aye. Gerri Lawing, James Hamilton, and Dan Blakemore voted Nay. D. Smith called for a second motion. D. Smith moved to deny the expenditure. S. Sucher seconded the motion. T. Cox abstained, all other members voted Aye; 5 Ayes to 1 abstention.
9. Discuss and Consider interest rates from local financial institutions and authorizing the transfer of funds from the Money Market account at RBFCU for the purchase of a \$100,000.00 12-month CD  
After reviewing quotes presented by local financial institutions, D. Smith called for a motion. J. Hamilton moved to table. D. Blakemore seconded. D. Smith requested that the City Finance Director provide recommendations in the future. D. Smith called for the vote. Motion carried unanimously.

## **COMMITTEE/FINANCIAL REPORTS**

10. Financial Report – James Ryan  
D. Smith and G. Young provided the Financial Report in Mr. Ryan's absence. All but two loans are current and revenues exceed expenditures YTD. Mr. Cox inquired about a check to GG's Steakhouse in April. The expenditure was for the BYK celebration party.
11. Hwy 183 Beautification Committee – Tommy Cox  
Mr. Cox stated that staff is working on the Power-up Grant for lighting.
12. Staff Update – City of Gonzales Equipment Maintenance Report, status of Insurance Claim for the roof at Lynn Theater, Gonzales Industrial Park Entrance Sign, Lynn Theater, Sleep Inn, Holiday Inn - Genora Young  
The Board asked Ms. Young not to provide copies of lengthy reports in the future. S. Sucher asked who owns the two-story green building behind the Lynn Theater. Marlene Metzler owns the building. Ms. Young provided a status report of the Lynn Theater. Ms. Young will coordinate a tour of the Lynn Theater.

## **ADJOURN**

D. Smith called for a motion. J. Hamilton moved to adjourn. G. Lawing seconded the motion. The motion carried and the Board adjourned at 7:57 p.m.

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Dewey Smith, Board President

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Gerri Lawing, Secretary

