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## BOARD MEETING MINUTES – February 11, 2019

**PRESENT:** Billy Whisenant, Carolyn Lawrence, Jerod Peek, Gil Cherry, Joseph Crouch, Ken Becker, Miesha Adames, Cathrine Wilks

**CALL TO ORDER:** 10:30 AM by Chairman Billy Whisenant

**PRAYER:** Jerod Peek

CPA, Cathrine Wilks, was present to go over the two separate audits of financial statements for Sweetwater Enterprise for Economic Development, Inc. and for Sweetwater Enterprise for Economic Development Municipal Development District. She also added a combined Statements of Cash Receipts and Disbursements- Actual and Budget that merged the separate audits for better understanding of the period of 10/01/2017 – 09/30/2018.

### ACTION ITEMS:

**AUDIT REPORT:** Board to review and consider approving audit report for fiscal year 2017 & 2018. Jerod Peek made the motion to approve the audit. Carolyn Lawrence seconded. The motion carried.

**MINUTES:** Board to review and consider approving minutes from the January 14<sup>th</sup>, 2019 meeting. Joseph Crouch made the motion to approve the minutes. Gil Cherry seconded. The motion carried.

**ACCOUNTS PAYABLE:** Board to review and consider approving accounts payables. Carolyn Lawrence made the motion to approve the accounts payables. Jerod Peek seconded. The motion carried.

**FINANCIALS:** Board to review and consider approving the December 2018 financial statements. There was discussion on whether we should amend the budget for various items and how Sutherlands should be listed. Gill Cherry made the motion to approve the financials. Joseph Crouch seconded. The motion carried.

### **Assistant Marketing Director's Report (Miesha Adames):**

- Miesha gave an introduction and a little background about herself
- Oncor & EMA conference call meeting about newest ground switch and circuit breaker that EMA has produced to reduce fires.
- Texas A&M and UNT Wind Tour for students to Leeward Energy, EMA, Global Fiberglass Solutions, and TSTC

### **Executive Director Update (Ken Becker):**

- Texas Communities Group
  - List of trust properties that was sold in 2018 was provided by Brenda Klepper. She has stated that the project has freed up her staff to work on other concerns. Getting the trust properties back on the tax roll is a positive anyway you look at it. She is excited to see results of the seizure of abandoned property.
  - Texas Community Group has made their first seizure in Sweetwater. Danny Barrett is predicting the sale of the property to happen the first Tuesday in March.
- Chapter 313 Issues/ Texas Legislator January 23<sup>rd</sup>: 2019 Energy & Workforce Policy Summit hosted by Texas Conservative Coalition Research Institute (TCCRI)
- Rod Wetsel was recipient of Ernest E. Smith Lifetime Achievement Award.
- Sutherlands: Ken spoke with Perry Sutherland and he stated that Sutherland's would not have come to Sweetwater without the incentive that was offered.
- Icy Breeze: We assisted in acquiring a space at the Roundup last year. Icy Breeze also attended the PGA Merchandise show and said it went well.
- Rail Diversity: Brady sand operations have closed. The demand of sand has declined in our area due to the supply available in the premian basin area.
- Nu-Tone Cleaners old building is becoming a hearing-aid company

**Go into Executive Session:** A motion was made by Joseph Crouch to enter Executive Session with a 2<sup>nd</sup> by Gil Cherry. The motion carried.

**Return to Regular Session:** A motion was made by Jerod Peek to re-enter into Regular Session with a 2<sup>nd</sup> from Joseph Crouch. The motion carried.

There being no further business, Billy Whisenant made the motion to adjourn with a second from Jerod Peek. The motion carried.