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BOARD MEETING MINUTES – Monday, August 12, 2019

PRESENT: Billy Whisenant, Carolyn Lawrence, Jerod Peek, Gil Cherry, Joseph Crouch, Ken Becker, Miesha Adames, Patty Torres

LOCATION: SEED MDD offices (Chamber Board Room—1st floor) located at 810 E. Broadway, Sweetwater, TX.

CALL TO ORDER: 10:00 AM by Chairman Billy Whisenant

PRAYER: Ken Becker

ACTION ITEMS:

MINUTES: Board to review and consider approving minutes from the July 19, 2019 meeting. Joseph Crouch made the motion to approve the minutes as corrected. Jerod Peek seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE: Board to review and consider approving accounts payables. Joseph Crouch made the motion to approve the accounts payables. Carolyn Lawrence seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

FINANCIALS: Board to review and consider approving the June 2019 financial statements. The interest rate shown on the June 30, 2019 Balance Sheet was incorrect. The Board would like to see a section added to the Balance Sheet that shows the difference in account balances from the prior month. Jerod Peek made the motion to approve the financials. Joseph Crouch seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

FAÇADE IMPROVEMENT GRANT: Board to consider approving the addition of item 7 under Section F to the Façade Improvement Grant Application. Jerod Peek made the motion to approve the addition of item 7 under Section F. Carolyn Lawrence seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

FAÇADE IMPROVEMENT GRANT- RICKY BOWMAN: Board to review and consider approving the Façade Grant Application for Ricky Bowman's business. Jerod Peek made the motion to approve the Façade Grant. Carolyn Lawrence seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

FISCAL YEAR 2019/2020 BUDGET: Board to review and consider approving the FY 2019/2020 Proposed Budget. Jerod Peek moved to table the FY 2019/2020 Proposed Budget. Gil Cherry seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

FISCAL YEAR 2019/2020 BUDGET: Jerod Peek made the motion to remove from the table the FY 2019/2020 Proposed Budget. Gil Cherry seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

FISCAL YEAR 2019/2020 BUDGET: Jerod Peek made the motion to approve the FY 2019/2020 Proposed Budget with adjustment to the Legal, Salaries, Travel and Advertising/Marketing expenses. Carolyn Lawrence seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Assistant Marketing Director's Report (Miesha Adames):

- KTAB On The Road
- West Texas Legislative Summit

Executive Director Update (Ken Becker):

- Sweetwater Code Enforcement and Landfill up date
- Relocation of the tank, helicopter, and jet in Newman Park
- Residential Property Discussion
- Sweetwater Steel sales tax
- Workforce & ISD: Meeting with CTE teachers
- TxDOT Update
- Basic Energy expansion
- Comptroller MDD tax and sales tax discussion

EXECUTIVE SESSION: A motion was made by Jerod Peek to enter into Executive Session under Section 551.087 of the Texas Government Code to discuss economic development negotiations. Carolyn Lawrence seconded the motion. The motion carried. Gil Cherry and Joseph Crouch abstained from executive session and left the MDD Board Meeting.

RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION: A motion was made by Jerod Peek to re-enter into Regular Session with a seconded from Carolyn Lawrence. The motion carried.

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