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BOARD MEETING MINUTES – Tuesday, October 15, 2019

PRESENT: Carolyn Lawrence, Jerod Peek, Gil Cherry, Joseph Crouch, Russ Petty, Ken Becker, Miesha Adames, Patty Torres, David Vela, Dana Schoening

LOCATION: Chamber of Commerce Boardroom (1st Floor), 810 E. Broadway, Sweetwater, Texas

CALL TO ORDER: 10:04 AM by Carolyn Lawrence

PRAYER: Jerod Peek

PUBLIC INPUT: None

PRESENTATION: Dana Schoening gave a presentation on structures that were declared dilapidated and/or deteriorated and unfit for human habitation by the City Council so as to require repair, rehabilitation or demolition and removal.

ACTION ITEMS:

ELECTION OF OFFICERS: Officers were elected by nomination as follows: Jerod peek nominated Carolyn Lawrence as President, Joseph Crouch Nominated Gil Cherry as Vice President, and Joseph Crouch Nominated Russ Petty as Secretary. Carolyn Lawrence closed the nomination. The officers will begin their one-year term at the 10/15/2019 meeting.

MINUTES: Board to review and consider approving minutes from the September 9, 2019 meeting. Joseph Crouch made the motion to approve the minutes. Gil Cherry seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE: Board to review and consider approving accounts payables. Gil Cherry made the motion to approve the accounts payables. Jerod Peek seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

FINANCIALS: Board to review and consider approving the August 2019 financial statements. Jerod Peek made the motion to approve the financials. Joseph Crouch seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

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. Joseph Crouch seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. David Vela, Dana Schoening, and Patty Torres left at this time.

RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION: A motion was made by Jerod Peek to re-enter into Regular Session with a second from Russ Petty. The motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION 2019-004: Board to review and consider approving Resolution No. 2019-004 authorizing the MDD to approve funds for the demolition of dilapidated structures. Jerod Peek made the motion to approve Resolution No. 2019-004. Gil Cherry seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

CITY OF SWEETWATER UPDATE (DAVID VELA): Sales tax update for taxes received through October 2019.

ASSISTANT MARKETING DIRECTOR'S REPORT (MIESHA ADAMES):

- SHS Career Fair
- Future plans for SHS Career Fair and Speaker's Bureau
- Date of Christmas Party is set for December 3, 2019
- OMA Training needed
- Website Analytics

Executive Director Update (Ken Becker):

- Cape & Son has greatly surpassed their first year obligation (contract period 9/1/2018-8/31/2022)
- Presented Administrative Assistant with the Conflict of Interest documents signed by Joseph Crouch and Gil Cherry
- Travel to Buzzi Corporate Office in Bethlehem, PA on 12/17/2019
- TxDOT public meeting is on October 24th, 2019 at 5:30 in Roscoe at the Cafeteria



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- Project Jupiter Update
- Retail Update- working to show opportunities in Sweetwater
- USG Food Drive
- Upcoming Wind and Solar Tours
- Pay Chamber rent for office space in-full for the remaining 11 months in the FY 2019/2020
- Remodeling Incentive for Apartments update

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



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