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BOARD MEETING MINUTES – December 10, 2018

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

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

PRAYER: Carolyn Lawrence

ACTION ITEMS:

MINUTES: Board to review and consider approving minutes from the November 14, 2018 meeting. Carolyn Lawrence made the motion to approve the minutes. Jerod Peek seconded. The motion carried.

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

FINANCIALS: Board to review and consider approving the August 2018 financial statements. Patty Torres explained how the financial would look different for the next few months until all accounts were on the MDD financial statement. The Board requested that an additional column was added that included a monthly budget. Jerod Peek made the motion to approve the financials. Joseph Crouch seconded. The motion carried.

Further discussion included concerns about the change from Type A to MDD and the public's perception of the ½ cent collection. Recommended staff look at ways to get correct information to retail businesses through: a) contacting area accountants, b) newspaper/radio articles, c) Chamber Newsletter

Executive Session: A motion was made by Gil Cherry to enter into Executive Session w/ a 2nd by Jerod Peek. The motion carried.

Return to Regular Session: A motion was made by Jerod Peek to re-enter into Regular Session w/ a 2nd from Gil Cherry. The motion carried.

Executive Director Update (Ken Becker):

- TXDOT Update:
 - I-20 & Hwy 84 Interchange is on the books to be done in a few years
 - West Broadway bridge – scheduled to be completed in January 2019.
 - Access Rd by Walmart – grade elevation has been an issue – no projected date of completion has been released
 - I-20 Traffic Count – 2007: 19,200 // 2017: 29,261 // 2018: 30,438
- Changes in Oil & Gas:
 - Sand – In-basin sand to taking its toll on Wisconsin Sand
 - Crude – Is moving by rail due to the lack of pipelines
- Icy Breeze:
 - Building is up and dried in
- ATMOS Energy:
 - Expected to move in December
- Sunbelt Industrial Services:
 - Occupying a building on West Broadway
- Dog Park:
 - Fence posts are being installed
- Splash Pads:
 - Met w/ "2" contractors/suppliers
 - Looking to get bids and design options
 - Recommend we hire an Engineering Firm to oversee the project
- SEED Christmas Party will be held at the Sweetwater Country Club on December 11th at 6:30 pm.
- Staff requested that the Board review what we do and how we do it – recommend any changes to staff

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