**BOARD MEETING MINUTES – MONDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2022**

**PRESENT**: Carolyn Lawrence, Gil Cherry, Mark Meneses, David Vela, Jeff Allen, Miesha Adames, Ethan Whittenburg, Robert McWilliams, Jeremy Foreaker, Dave Valdez

**LOCATION:** Downstairs conference room at the Sweetwater Chamber of Commerce, 810 E. Broadway, Sweetwater, Texas 79556

**CALL TO ORDER**: 2:00 PM by Carolyn Lawrence

**PRAYER:** Mark Meneses

**PUBLIC INPUT:** None

**ELECTION OF OFFICERS:**

**President:** Gil Cherry nominated Carolyn Lawrence. David Vela seconded. There was a unanimous vote in the affirmative. The motion is carried and nominations are now closed.

**Vice-President:** David Vela nominated Gil Cherry. Mark Meneses seconded. There was a unanimous vote in the affirmative. The motion is carried and nominations are now closed.

**Secretary:** Gil Cherry nominated Russ Petty. Mark Meneses seconded. There was a unanimous vote in the affirmative. The motion is carried and nominations are now closed.

The board approved the Officers presented unanimously.

**PRESENTATION:** Jeremy Foreaker and Robert McWilliams presented a concept for the Nolan County Plaza.

**ACTION ITEMS**:

**MINUTES**: Board to review and consider approving minutes from the September 12, 2022 meeting. Gil Cherry made the motion to approve the minutes. Mark Meneses seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

**MINUTES**: Board to review and consider approving the amended minutes from the June 13, 2022 meeting. Mark Meneses made the motion to approve the minutes. David Vela seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

**ACCOUNTS PAYABLE**: Board to review and consider approving accounts payable. Gil Cherry made the motion to approve the accounts payable. David Vela seconded.

**FINANCIALS**: Board to review and consider approving the August 2022 financial statements. Gil Cherry made the motion to approve the financials. Mark Meneses seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

**RESOLUTION:** Board to review and consider approving resolution 2022-007 regarding the 611 Josephine Street Incentive. Mark Meneses made the motion to approve resolution 2022-007. David Vela seconded. The motion carried 3-0. Gil Cherry abstained from the vote and was not present for deliberation.

**INCENTIVE AGREEMENT:** Board to review and consider approving an incentive agreement for 611 Josephine Street. Mark Meneses made the motion to approve an incentive agreement for 611 Josephine Street. David Vela seconded. The motion carried 3-0. Gil Cherry abstained from the vote and was not present for deliberation.

**RULES OF OPERATION:** Board to review and consider approving the Sweetwater Enterprise for Economic Development Municipal Development District Amended and Restated Rules of Operation dated October 11, 2022. Mark Meneses made the motion to approve the Amended and Restated Rules of Operation. David Vela seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

**RETAIL:** Board to review and consider approving an annual contract extension with The Retail Coach. Gil Cherry made the motion to approve the contract extension. David Vela seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

**FACADE IMPROVEMENT GRANT APPLICATION:** Board to review and consider approving a facade improvement request for 1401 Hailey St. Gil Cherry made the motion to table this item until the next board meeting. David Vela seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

**FACADE IMPROVEMENT GRANT EXTENSION:** Board to review and consider approving an extension for the Facade Improvement project at 1304 East Broadway. Gil Cherry made the motion to approve a 30 day extension with this being the final possible extension. David Vela seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

**CLOSED SESSION:**  Gil Cherry made the motion to enter into Executive under Section 551.087 of the Texas Government Code, to discuss economic development negotiations. No action will be taken in the Executive Session as it is not permitted by law. Mark Meneses seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

1. Cape & Son monthly report
2. Concept for a retail location

**RECONVENE:** A motion was made by Mark Meneses to re-enter into Regular Session with a second from Gil Cherry. The motion carried unanimously.

**ETHAN WHITTENBURG UPDATE:**

1. Fitness Park
2. Future Sweetwater Interviews
3. Apache Tree Grant

**MIESHA ADAMES UPDATE:**

1. LMI Thank You
2. OU EDI Update

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