



BOARD MEETING MINUTES – MONDAY, OCTOBER 23, 2023

PRESENT: Gil Cherry, Russ Petty, Mark Meneses, Carolyn Lawrence, David Vela, Jeff Allen, Miesha Adames, Ethan Whittenburg, Karen Hunt

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: Russ Petty

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Carolyn Lawrence

ELECTION OF OFFICERS: Election of Officers for 2023-2024 (Rules of Operation – Section 3.01 – Selection of Officers) President, Vice-President, and Secretary. David Vela made the motion to appoint Carolyn Lawrence as President, Gil Cherry as Vice-President, and Russ Petty as Secretary. Russ Petty seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

ACTION ITEMS:

MINUTES: Board to review and consider approving minutes from the September 11, 2023, meeting. David Vela made the motion to approve the minutes. Mark Meneses seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE: Board to review and consider approving accounts payable. Mark Meneses made the motion to approve the accounts payable. Russ Petty seconded. Gil Cherry abstained. The motion carried 4-0.

FINANCIALS: Board to review and consider approving the August 2023 financial statements. Russ Petty made the motion to approve the financials. Mark Meneses seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

INCENTIVE AGREEMENT: Board to review and consider approving an extension request for the PeyDex Partners, LLC incentive agreement dated October 21, 2019. Russ Petty made the motion to approve a one-year extension to the PeyDex Partners, LLC incentive, making the effective term end on September 30, 2024. Gil Cherry seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

FAÇADE IMPROVEMENT GRANT: Board to review and consider approving a Façade Improvement request at 2500 W. Broadway. Gil Cherry made the motion to approve the Façade Improvement request at 2500 W. Broadway in the amount of \$10,700.00. Mark Meneses seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

INCENTIVE AGREEMENT: Board to review and consider approving a request to replace a requirement in the Red Door Capital incentive agreement dated October 11, 2022. Russ Petty made the motion to approve the requested change in requirements in the Red Door Capital incentive agreement dated October 11, 2022. David Vela seconded. Gil Cherry abstained. The motion carried 4-0.

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CLOSED SESSION: Russ Petty made the motion to enter 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. Gil Cherry seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

A. SISD's willingness to consider expanding its childcare capacity.

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

ETHAN WHITTENBURG UPDATE:

a) Future Sweetwater Economy Tour: Ethan gave an update on the Future Sweetwater Economy tour hosted by SEED MDD, USG and Buzzi Unicem.

MIESHA ADAMES UPDATE:

a) Hard Head Veterans Annual Report: Miesha provided information regarding the full-time equivalent positions held at Hard Head Veterans. This annual report is a requirement within the Hard Head Veterans FTE incentive agreement.

There being no further business, Gil Cherry made the motion to adjourn. The motion carried unanimously.

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