

Minutes
Flatonia Economic Development Corporation
Regular Meeting
May 16, 2019

Present:

Board Members

Dennis Geesaman
Ginny Sears
Ashley Beeman
Gary Hoover arrived at 5:55 p.m.
Larry Haas

City Staff

Melissa Brunner – City Secretary/Finance Manager

Opening Agenda

President Dennis Geesaman called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.
President Geesaman led the invocation and the Pledge to the American Flag and the Texas Flag.

Reports

General Manager Report General Manager McLaughlin was not in attendance to answer questions about his report. His report stands as was presented.

Workshop – open at 5:46 p.m.

WS5-2019.1 Discuss ideas from persons formerly involved with economic development activities with the City of Flatonia.

Tim Masek spoke about things that had been done in the past in Flatonia to assist in economic development.

James Longmire spoke concerning ideas he had for economic development in Flatonia.

Economic Development Board Member Larry Haas gave ideas that he had for economic development in Flatonia.

Jason Koza, the City Administrator in Hallettsville, spoke about what is being done in Hallettsville and what he was aware of in Flatonia as well as made a few suggestions for Flatonia's Economic Development Corporation.

Closed at 6:53 p.m.

Public Hearing – open at 6:53 p.m.

PH5-2019.1 Public Hearing for the purpose of receiving public input on the advisability of utilizing economic development sales taxes to fund a Utility Deposit Loan Program to promote business development in the City of Flatonia as authorized by Sections 380 and 505 of the Texas Local Government Code.

Public hearing closed at 6:54 p.m.

Consent Agenda

Ginny Sears motioned to approve the consent agenda to include the minutes of the April 18, 2019 meeting and the April 2019 Financial Report. Gary Hoover seconded the motion. None opposed. Motion carried.

Deliberation Agenda

- 5-2019.1. No action was taken on adding or removing potential projects from the Projects List set forth in the attached Exhibit A and which the Corporation desires to undertake in the future.
- 5-2019.2. The Board discussed but took no action on strategies for utilizing Retail Coach.
- 5-2019.3. No action was taken on discussion with JB Chisum regarding multi-family housing in Flatonia.
- 5-2019.4. No action was taken on the draft Business Incentive Program Guidelines as per recommendation of the committee.
- 5-2019.5. Gary Hoover motioned to approve the Utility Deposit Loan Program that will promote business development in the City of Flatonia as authorized by Sections 380 and 505 of the Texas Local Government Code and forward a resolution to the Flatonia City Council for final approval of the program. Ginny Sears seconded the motion. None opposed. Motion carried.
- 5-2019.6. Ginny Sears motioned to authorize \$10,000 to be contributed to a Splash Pad at McWhirter Park. Ashley Beeman seconded the motion. None opposed. Motion carried.

Gary Hoover motioned to amend the budget of the Flatonia Economic Development Corporation to include the \$10,000 for a Splash Pad to be located at McWhirter Park. Ginny Sears seconded the motion. None opposed. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

Signed

Approved this 20th day of June, 2019

Dennis Geesaman
President

Attest

Lenel Tamez
Secretary