Flatonia Economic Development Corporation **Regular Meeting Minutes** November 21, 2024, at 6:00 p.m.

Present

President

Vice President Members

Ginny Sears Richard Niemann Shirley Williams

Randy Johnson Dennis Geesaman

Mayor

City Secretary

Travis Seale Jacqueline Ott

Absent

Member City Manager

Taylor Swenning Sonya Bishop

Opening Agenda

Call to Order

President Sears called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Invocation & Pledge Board member Niemann led the invocation and pledges.

Citizen Participation None

Presentation

Mayor Travis Seale swore in Joanye Eversole as an EDC board member. She is a City Council representative, and her term will expire in May 2025.

Report Agenda

Activity Report

President Sears reported the Stein building is under contract. She announced

the opening of a new restaurant downtown.

Financial Report

President Sears reported that sales tax numbers are up.

Project Report

President Sears proposed a commercial project with Flatonia resident Mike Patton. Mr. Patton spoke to the board about his film experience and working relationship with local director Jeff Bednarz from Rutersville. HOT funds will pay for the project, and EDC will pay for marketing. Mr. Patton will present the project for approval to the City Council in January.

Deliberation Agenda

DA11.1.2024.1

Board member Geesaman moved to approve the board officers to remain the same, with Ginny Sears as president and Richard Niemann as vice president. Board member Eversole seconded the motion. None opposed. Motion carried unanimously.

Workshop Agenda

WS11.1.2024.1

Potential projects and opportunities to improve Economic Development for the City of Flatonia in accordance with the Bylaws of the Flatonia Economic

City of Flatonia FEDC Regular Meeting Minutes Development Corporation and governed by Local Government Code, Chapter 501-Provisions Governing Development Corporations, and Chapter 505-Type B Corporations.

The commercial project will be added to Exhibit A if the City Council approves it. No changes were made today.

Consent Agenda

C1.

Board member Geesaman moved to approve the meeting minutes from October 17, 2024. Board member Johnson seconded the motion. None opposed. The motion passed unanimously.

Deliberation Agenda (continued)

DA11.1.2024.2

Board member Geesaman moved to approve the proposed changes to the Business Incentive Program Grant application, with the addition of "... if in operation for less than twelve months." to Application Instructions item eight. Board member Williams seconded the motion. None opposed. Motion carried unanimously.

Adjournment

Board member Johnson moved to adjourn the meeting. Board member Eversole seconded the motion. None opposed. Motion carried. President Sears adjourned the meeting at 6:30 p.m.

Signed

Ginny Sears
President

Attest

Jacqueline Ott City Secretary

