

Flatonia Economic Development Corporation
Regular Meeting Minutes
January 16, 2025, at 6:00 p.m.

Present

President	Ginny Sears
Vice President	Richard Niemann
Members	Shirley Williams Randy Johnson Dennis Geesaman Joanye Eversole Taylor Swenning
City Manager	Sonya Bishop
City Secretary	Jacqueline Ott

Opening Agenda

<i>Call to Order</i>	President Sears called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.
<i>Invocation & Pledge</i>	Board member Niemann led the invocation and pledges.
<i>Citizen Participation</i>	None

Presentation Mike Patton presented information on the proposed commercial advertisement of Flatonia.

Discussion Agenda

D1. The board discussed the proposed commercial and considered various advertising avenues, including the Texas Highways magazine.

Report Agenda

Activity Report President Sears updated the board on various businesses, including the former location of Texas Print Shop. Tammy Collins has purchased the building and will turn it into a new retail space. She also plans to open the former Friendly Tavern by the end of the summer.

Financial Report President Sears reported the sales tax revenues are up for quarter four of 2024. She stated that the goal of \$75,000 to assist with sludge removal has been reached and that the board can begin handling other budget items.

Project Report President Sears reviewed the current budget for planned projects, including a new parking lot at 7 Acre Park and grants. City Manager Bishop updated the board on the timeline for sludge removal.

Workshop Agenda

WS1.1.2025.1 Potential projects and opportunities to improve Economic Development for the City of Flatonia in accordance with the Bylaws of the Flatonia Economic Development Corporation and governed by Local Government Code, Chapter 501-Provisions Governing Development Corporations, and

Chapter 505-Type B Corporations.

President Sears suggested moving the wastewater treatment facility to #1, adding advertising in publications to #2, moving streetlight upgrades to #3, and then shifting all other projects down.

Consent Agenda

C1.

Board member Eversole moved to approve the meeting minutes from November 21, 2024. Board member Williams seconded the motion. None opposed. The motion passed unanimously.

Discussion Agenda (continued)

D2.

President Sears updated the board on the Comprehensive Plan Review Committee. Board member Niemann, the FEDC representative on the committee, spoke on the review's intentions. He and President Sears strongly suggested that anyone who has an idea on improving the plan should reach out to any of the committee members.

Deliberation Agenda

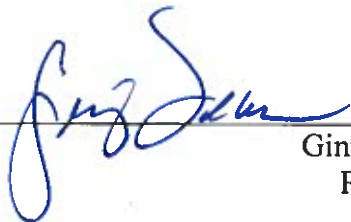
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Board member Johnson moved to approve amending the FEDC grant applications to include the federal employer identification number and the state sales tax identification number for the business. Board member Eversole seconded the motion. None opposed. Motion carried unanimously.

Adjournment


Board member Geesaman moved to adjourn the meeting. Board member Johnson seconded the motion. None opposed. Motion carried. President Sears adjourned the meeting at 6:56 p.m.

Signed



Ginny Sears
President

Attest



Jacqueline Ott
City Secretary

