Minutes

Regular Meeting Bellville Economic Development Corporation

<u>Date of Meeting:</u> April 10, 2014 <u>Time of Meeting:</u> 5:00 P.M.

<u>Location:</u> Council Meeting Room, Bellville City Hall

30 South Holland St., Bellville, TX 77418

1. Call to Order, Invocation and Pledge

- 2. Roll Call and Certification of Quorum **Present: Bob Buckner, Pat Burns, Monte Byrd Paul Jones, Clark McKinley, C.L. Roy, Danny Jacob. Quorum certified**
- 3. Consideration and Action to Approve the Agenda as Posted Mr. Roy motion to approve, Mr. McKinley 2nd. Motion approved unanimously
- 4. Public Comment (3-Minute Remarks of Speakers who have completed Sign-in Sheet) AND Receipt of Grant Applications. **None**
- 5. Questions and Comments from Board Members (discussion is limited to statements of policy or statements of factual matters, or the request that a matter be placed on the next meeting's agenda) **None**
- 6. Consideration and Action to Approve Minutes of Previous Meeting held **Mr. Roy** motion to approve, **Mr. McKinley** 2nd. Motion approved unanimously
- 7. Consideration and Action to Approve Treasurer's Report, Payment of Outstanding Bills, and Investments. Mr. Jacob presented report. Sales tax revenue for the month was \$19,129.09. That's about \$2,000 below budget, but the overall year is still pacing ahead of budget by approx. \$14,000. Total current assets are \$471,614.42. Bills presented for payment: \$99.90 to KGA DeForest for Draw, \$50.40 to Bellville Times for notices, \$720 to Jerry Olson Designs for services on Website update, Pavilion sign and Ad Design, \$154.10 and \$54.29 to City of Bellville for utilities on Pavilion and Statue respectively, \$200 to LeAnn Luedeker for contract for services. Mr. Burns made motion to approve report and pay bills as presented. Mr. McKinley 2nd. Motion approved unanimously.
- 8. Discussion and Action as needed on proposal for EDC Downtown Master Plan review by KGA DeForest. Mr. Byrd stated that he had talked with Bob DeForest about the study. Mr. DeForest asked for a month or so to begin working up a written proposal and hopes to return to the EDC at the May meeting with an overview.

- 9. Update and Action as needed on Jim Bishop Pavilion at Chesley Park project. Mr. Byrd says the formal dedication for the Pavilion will be May 9 at 3 PM. He hopes to work in conjunction with the Historical society to dedicate the Pavilion, but also to honor Mr. Bishop for his lifetime of service to the City of Bellville.
- 10. Update and Action as needed on Pole Banner project. Mr. Byrd talked with banner company, and we begin to get price breaks for banner printing at 25 banners. So far 2, possibly 3 other groups are interested in having banners printed. None of the needs are immediate, so we will wait until summer before ordering additional banners.
- 11. Discussion and Action as needed on Landscape Maintenance contract for Pavilion. Mr. Buckner stated that he had looked over proposal for the contract. The agreement would be with the Bellville Community foundation, with sub-contracting by Green Lawn Care Service of Brenham. Mr. Buckner felt the contract was too open-ended, and that the charges as presented were too high. He presented a standard maintenance schedule as suggested model. Mr. Byrd said he would talk with the foundation about Mr. Buckner's concerns, and that they would work together to address them. No action taken.
- 12. Consideration and Action as needed on Storefront Grant application from Wendt Flooring. Mr. Burns presented the application from Rodney Wendt of Wendt Flooring. Mr. Wendt proposes spending \$2810 in material for fixing his storefront, and \$3,500 for labor, and an additional \$350 in paint. The estimated cost for a new sign is \$1100. Mr. Burns stated under the terms of the grant program, Mr. Wendt would be eligible for up to \$2,000 for the storefront improvement, and half of the sign cost, or approx. \$550, not to exceed the grant maximum of \$1,000. This is the third application in this fiscal year, and is well within the budget. Mr. Burns made a motion to approve the grant request, Mr. Roy 2nd. Mr. McKinley asked to be recused from the vote, because Wendt flooring is currently working at his house. Motion approved unanimously.
- 13. Action as needed to update bank signature cards. **Signature cards signed as requested.**
- 14. Consideration and Action as needed on EDC meeting schedule. Mr. Byrd stated that it might be helpful to move the meeting date for EDC meetings, so that action taken would be able to get on the City Council's agenda in the same month. Mr. Burns made motion to move the EDC meetings to the first Thursday of the month, beginning with the June meeting. Mr. Jones 2nd. Motion approved unanimously.

- 15. Executive Session under Govt. Code Sec. 551.071, 551.072 and 551.087 to discuss legal matters with attorney, real property negotiations, and/or economic development negotiations. **Entered Executive session at 5:49. Ended at 6:03**
- 16. Action on matters considered in Executive Session. **None needed**
- 17. Adjournment **6:03**