

Minutes
Regular Meeting
Bellville Economic Development Corporation

Date of Meeting: July 17, 2014
Time of Meeting: 5:00 P.M.
Location: 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, Clark McKinley, Danny Jacob. Absent: Paul Jones, C.L. Roy**
3. Consideration and Action to Approve the Agenda as Posted **Mr. Jacob motion to approve, Mr. Buckley 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). **Mr. Burns stated that the group working on the Farmer's Market proposal would be meeting on the 28th.**
6. Consideration and Action to Approve Minutes of Previous Meeting held. **Mr. McKinley motion to approve. Mr. Buckner 2nd. Motion approved unanimously.**
7. Consideration and Action to Approve Treasurer's Report, Payment of Outstanding Bills, and Investments. **Mr. Jacob presented report. The report shows \$24,559.22 in income for June. Total current assets are \$517,474.38. Total assets are \$1,011,500.45. Bills presented for payment: \$353.54 to KGA DeForest for Master Plan review, \$18.50 to Brown & Hofmeister for legal services, \$50.40 to Bellville Times for notices, \$129.56 & \$51.95 to City of Bellville for utilities, and \$200 to LeAnn Luedeker for contract for services. Mr. Jacob also presented Certificate of Deposit 400391 at First National Bank that was due to mature on 7/28/14 for \$109,106.55. He recommended it be rolled over. Mr. Burns made motion to approve report, pay bills as presented & roll over CD. Mr. Buckner 2nd. Motion approved unanimously.**
8. Consideration and Action as needed to hire marketing contractor for EDC projects. **Tabled.**
9. Discussion and Action as needed on Landscape Maintenance contract for Pavilion. **Mr. Buckner presented two courses of action. He said we could either put together a very specific contract bid, or one that was more general. He suggested the more general bid would be preferable, because it would give us flexibility to work with the**

contractor. He presented an example. Mr. Byrd asked that since the State was doing a good job mowing the general area around the statue if it might save some money to let them continue doing that in addition to hiring a contractor. Mr. Buckner said he felt the savings would be minimal, and that if we wanted to do anything such as plant bluebonnets in the area and not cut until the seeds sprouted, it would be much easier to only deal with one entity. Mr. Jacob asked about who would be eligible to bid. Mr. Buckner said since we were dealing with both right-of-way, and requiring irrigation checks, the contractor would have to be licensed for irrigation and for herbicide use. Mr. Jacob made motion to put the recommended contract out for bid for at least 2 weeks in Bellville Times. Mr. Burns 2nd. Motion approved unanimously.

11. 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. **Executive Session moved up. Begins at 5:29. Complete at 5:54**
12. Action on matters considered in Executive Session. **None needed.**
10. Discussion and Action as needed on proposal for EDC Downtown Master Plan review by KGA DeForest. **Bob DeForest presented idea on signage, including directional signage at 36 & 159 e. intersection directing visitors down Palm toward Park. Mr. Burns asked about the difficulties of signage to help visitors around square on both sides of Courthouse. Mr. Jacob stated he'd prefer to see signage on square giving directions for pedestrians. No action.**
13. Adjournment **6:04**