15 August 2006 Regular Meeting Minutes Bellville Economic Development Corporation

David Ottmer called the Regular Meeting of the Bellville Economic Development Corporation to order at 3:00p.m., Tuesday, August 15th, 2006, in the Council meeting room at City Hall, Bellville, Texas.

Warren Scott offered the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present were: Wayne Browning, Warren Scott, David Ottmer, Jim Freeman, and Allene Schmitt. Andrew Lienhard was absent. A quorum was certified. Executive Director Carolyn Gibson was present.

Motion was made by Wayne Browning to accept the rest of the agenda as posted. Motion was seconded by Allene Schmitt. Motion carried.

Agenda Item # 5 Consideration and Action to Approve Minutes of the Previous Regular Meeting and Previous Special Meeting

Motion was made by Wayne Browning to accept the minutes of the previous regular meeting, 20 June 2006 and special meeting, 27 July 2006. Motion was seconded by Allene Schmitt. Motion Carried.

Agenda Item # 6 Consideration and Action to Approve Treasurer's Report, Payment of Outstanding Bills

Treasurer's Report was given by Warren Scott, based on Balance Sheet, YTD Profit & Loss, and Bank Reconciliation. Balance in Checking Account as of July 31, 2006 was \$49,663.61. July Sales Tax Revenue of \$14,432.35 and Interest Income of \$57.61 resulted in total monthly deposits of \$15,677.63. Checks totaling \$2,283.88 were posted. Balance Sheet showed the following current Certificates of Deposit: Guaranty Bank- \$87,914.69, Wells Fargo- \$103,358.02, and Industry State Bank-(1) \$103,850.92 & (2) \$100,056.44. Total Current Assets as of July 31, 2006 are \$444,843.68. Interest earned on CD's for July was \$1,187.67. Outstanding bills totaling \$3,542.00 were presented for payment to: Bellville Chamber of Commerce of \$3,500.00 for Contract of Services for September, and The Bellville Times for \$42.00 for Public Hearing notice for Austin County Fair and BEDC/H-GAC Community Improvement Project.

After approval of the 2006-2007 Budget and Contract for Services with the Bellville Chamber of Commerce, David Ottmer asked for a motion to approve payment of bills. Motion made by Warren Scott was seconded by Allene Schmitt. Motion carried.

Agenda Item #7 Public Comment

Reese Turner of the Bellville Golf and Recreation Club spoke on behalf of the organization and the grant request that was submitted to BEDC on their behalf. Mr. Turner thanked the Board for their consideration and stated that BGRC had paid \$20,000.00 in sales tax for 2005 and had a payroll of \$92,000.00 for that same period. He reiterated that the general public was welcome to play, and that they had been a part of the community for over 75 years. He also reported that the equipment used to maintain the golf course was in poor and failing condition. David Ottmer thanked Mr. Turner for his time and efforts.

Agenda Item #8 Acceptance of any Grant Requests

There were none.

Agenda Item #9 Committee Reports and any Related Action

There were none.

Agenda Item #10 Consideration and Action to Approve 2006-2007 Budget

After a final review, Jim Freeman made the motion to approve the 2006-2007 Budget. Motion was seconded by Warren Scott. Motion carried.

Agenda Item #11

Consideration and Action to Approve 2006-2007 Contract with Bellville Chamber of Commerce

President John Mumme spoke on behalf of the Bellville Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors, thanking BEDC for their continued support of the Chamber. Wayne Browning made the motion to approve the renewal of the contract. Motion was seconded by Allene Schmitt. Motion carried.

Agenda Item # 12

Executive Director's Comments and Any Related Action

E.D. Carolyn Gibson reported that LCRA had offered to nominate BEDC for the TEDC Community Development Award, and she had presented the Seacon project to TEDC CEDA Awards Committee for consideration. After an email from TEDC, she announced to the Board that Bellville had been chosen as the winner of the 1st Category CEDA. The Award will be presented at the TEDC Annual Conference in Houston, September 27-29, 2006. The CEDA Luncheon will be at 11:30am, Thursday, September 28th. She encouraged all members of the Board to attend. Carolyn also reported that the new rack cards will be available for distribution in the near future, and that Bellville would have a booth at the Taste of Home Cooking School, presented by the Bryan College Station Eagle, in Bryan on September 12th. There will be between 1000 and 1200 in attendance.

Carolyn thanked the Board for their support of her in her position, and the continuing relationship with the Chamber of Commerce.

Agenda Item # 13

Questions and Comments from Board Members

Wayne Browning asked if there was an architect for the Community Improvement Project. Carolyn reported that Jane Ponder had drawn up the plans. David Ottmer reported that he and Judge Bilski had talks with TxDOT, and the previously suggested placement of the trees around the square was not legal.

Allene Schmitt reported that the Job Fair would be held August 23rd and encouraged attendance. She also questioned whether the Austin County Fair Association had decided on a name change. Kathy Mewis stated that yes they had, but it wasn't official.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 4:20p.m.

Carolyn Gibson for Allene Schmitt, Secretary