



REGULAR MEETING
322 Belknap, Stephenville Texas
Thursday April 16, 2026, at 4:00 PM

The Stephenville Type B Economic Development Authority convened on Thursday April 16th, 2026 at 4:00p.m. in the SEDA Conference room at 322 Belknap, Stephenville, Texas with the meeting being open to the public and notice of said meeting, giving time and date, place and subject thereof, having been posted as prescribed Chapter 551, Government Code, Vernon's Texas Codes of Annotated, with the following members present to wit:

Directors:

~~Marion Cole~~ (absent)
Metta Collier
Justin Haschke
Ricky Thurman
Kelijon Nance
Mark McClinton
~~Connie Wooley~~ (absent)

Also in attendance: Mayor Lonn Reisman, Council members: Alan Nix, Madi Smith, Gerald Cook, Ex - Officio President/CEO Jeff Sandford, Vice – President Ashleigh Feuerbacher & staff members Lauren Moore, Emily Sword and Riley Shellenberger.

1. Call To Order

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m. by Vice Chair Ricky Thurman.

2. President's Report

President Jeff Sandford opened his report with several updates regarding ongoing initiatives, community recognition, and facility operations. The board was informed that the official launch of the *Connecting the Dots* podcast is underway, with production elements and a promotional reel now complete. The first guest episode is scheduled to release within the next week. Another update was the announcement of SEDA's, music friendly hallways, honoring Stephenville's designation as a Texas Music Friendly community. In honor of this achievement, the upstairs hallway was transformed to showcase and honor local music events and festivals. While the reception event was intentionally small, it was meaningful, and appreciation was extended to the board members who attended and supported the occasion.

SEDA also recently had additional media coverage featuring President Sandford. Texan News Service interviewed him for a feature article that was published in the April edition of The Texan News. Facility-related updates were shared with the board, including upcoming rentals currently booked at the facility as well as several operational and maintenance items that staff continue to monitor and address proactively. An additional update was provided regarding recent staffing changes at the local Texas Workforce Solutions location. SEDA staff shared that they are looking forward to continued

collaboration and strengthening the working relationship moving forward as new leadership and personnel transitions take place.

In closing, President Sandford highlighted several positive developments occurring throughout the downtown and historic district areas. Construction activity is beginning on a new project located on Long Street, signaling continued investment and momentum within the district. Additionally, the owners of another downtown building have recently requested information regarding the SEDA's façade grant program, reflecting continued interest in downtown revitalization and property improvements.

3. Consent Agenda

Minutes from March 19, 2026

Financials from March 2026

Motion by Metta Collier, second by Kelijon Nance to approve the consent agenda as presented.

Motion passes unanimously

4. Executive Session

Vice Chair Ricky Thurman recessed the Regular SEDA Board meeting at 4:30 p.m. and entered Executive Session at 4:30 p.m.

In compliance with the provisions of the Texas open Meetings Law, Subchapter D, Government Code, Vernon's Texas Codes, Annotated, in accordance with section 500.087 economic development projects:

- a. Project Stanley
- b. Project Penn
- c. Project Pilgrim
- d. Project Platypus
- e. Project Digit

Vice Chair Ricky Thurman adjourned the executive session at 5:29 p.m. and reconvened the Regular SEDA Board Meeting at 5:30 p.m.

5. Action taken on items in Executive Session, if necessary.

No action was taken in Executive Session

6. Adjourn

Vice – Chair Ricky Thurman adjourned the meeting at 5:37 p.m.