

STEPHENVILLE TYPE B ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
Regular Meeting with Video Conference Option
Stephenville, Texas
Thursday December 3, 2020

The Stephenville Type B Economic Development Authority convened on December 3, 2020 at 11:30 a.m., in the SEDA conference room at 1050 Airport Road, Stephenville, Texas and by video conference providing a live feed for the purpose of a regular business meeting, with the meeting being open to the public and notice of said meeting, giving the date and time, place and subject thereof, having been posted as prescribed by Chapter 551, Government Code, Vernon's Texas Codes Annotated, with the following members present, to wit:

President: Chris Gifford
Vice President: Marion Cole
Treasurer: Fisher Rinderknecht (By Zoom)
Secretary: Casey Hogan (By Zoom at 11:38)
Directors: Malcolm Cross
Shelby Slawson (absent)
Wendell Hollingsworth

Also in attendance: ex – officio members Joe Brown, Jeff Sandford and Assistant Director Ashleigh Feuerbacher.

I. CALL TO ORDER.

The meeting of the Stephenville Type B Economic Development Authority was called to order at 11:30 a.m. by President Gifford.

II. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT

Sandford gave a summary on calendar events and progression made over the last month. One program highlighted was the downtown light initiative. Phase one was the installation of bistro lights along building roof tops and phase two was the improved Christmas décor at the plaza and courthouse, which was installed for the first Christmasville lighted parade. Sandford updated the board with current statistics, numbers and percentages related to the pandemic in our community and county. Staff also introduced Miss. Hannah Beagles as the new SEDA intern.

III. 2020 YEAR IN REVIEW

Sandford played a highlight reel from local economic development activities that occurred in 2020. Project highlights, new construction pictures and property closings were among the items reviewed. Sandford stated that despite a year of challenging times, SEDA staff worked diligently to keep development commitments moving forward. The City of Stephenville can look back on 2020 and remember the additional investments made in retail, housing and industrial development.

IV. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Marion Cole, second by Wendell Hollingsworth to accept the minutes as presented. Motion passes.

V. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF TREASURER'S REPORT

a. Financial Report Ending October 31, 2020.

Motion by Malcolm Cross, seconded by Wendell Hollingsworth to accept the financials as presented. Motion passes.

b. Consider lease program for SEDA.

Motion by Wendell Hollingsworth, seconded by Marion Cole to authorize Jeff Sandford and the Board President to negotiate a vehicle purchase or lease for the organization, with the final decision to be brought back to the board and then council. Motion Passes.

VI. EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 12:27 p.m., the Board entered into executive session, in compliance with the Texas Open Meetings Law, Subchapter D, Government Code, Vernon's Texas Codes, Annotated, in accordance with section 551.087 Economic Development; discussion concerning the following project:

1. PROJECT R&R
2. PROJECT GREEN TUB
3. PROJECT CS
4. PROJECT TARLETON CROSSINGS

VII. ACTION TAKEN ON MATTERS DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION.

The Board reconvened in open session at 12:50 p.m. No action taken on matters discussed in the Executive Session.

VIII. ADJOURN.

Meeting Adjourned by President Gifford at 12:53 p.m.