

**CITY OF FREEPORT
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION**

STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF BRAZORIA

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BE IT REMEMBERED that the Economic Development Corporation of the City of Freeport met in a scheduled meeting Thursday, May 27, 2010 at the Freeport City Council chambers at 403 N. Brazosport Boulevard, for the purpose of considering the following agenda items.

Dan Tarver (President)
Lila Diehl (Secretary)
Jack Taylor (absent)
William Rains (absent)

Clan Cameron (Vice-President)
Sandra Wood-Wicke
Larry Shaefer

Visitors in attendance: Carolyn Tarver, Judy Shaefer, Herb Smith, Gary Bass, Joyce Atkins, Eric Hayes, Larry McDonald

OPEN MEETING

The meeting was called to order by Dan Tarver at 6:04 pm with Mr. Taylor and Mr. Rains both absent, all other members attending.

CONSIDERATION APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF MARCH 3, 2010 AND MAY 13, 2010.

A motion to approve both minutes was made by Mr. Cameron, seconded by Mr. Shaefer and passed unanimously.

CITIZENS COMMENTS

None

PROJECT ENGINEER'S REPORT – Herb Smith

Mr. Smith had the bids and Mike Sorrell was low bid and also had the shortest time to complete. A motion was made by Ms. Wood-Wicke to accept the bid it was seconded by Mr. Cameron and passed unanimously.

The next issue was the letter to Mike Sorrell to get his bond and insurance, then they have to be reviewed and approved. They will hold a Pre-Construction conference in about a month. The colors will have to be picked, Mr. Smith will have samples of colors. The expected time of completion is 70 days.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS REPORT

Mr. Shaefer reported that Lee Cameron's Computer is back at City Hall and that the \$75,000 dollars that was supposed to be payment to the City from Walker Royal, was never received by the City. Paperwork was found showing that it was spent on Lawyer Firms to form new companies for Walker Royal, and other things, but none to the city for payment.

Dan Tarver reported that Renew Blue has received their permits from the US Army Corp of Engineers and are hoping to get the pumps in the water and working by the end of the year.

MARINA COMMITTEE REPORT

Dan Tarver said that Larry Shaefer has spent countless hours to get this project going, and has gone over and above what was expected, he has done an exceptional job. This project would not be as far along as it is without his help and commitment.

- *Dock Power Stations for C/D/F Equipment is here and due to be installed June 1, 2010.
- *Dock Power Stations for B/G Equipment is due to arrive on 6/4/10 and due to be installed.
- *Waterline / Fire Hydrant being installed by Veolia passed the tests and Connections over the levee (finished). Water is turned on to all the docks. (1 hydrant is in the wrong place)
- *Dock B/C/D Platform is finished – Centerpoint is due 5/28/10 or 6/1/10 to make the final Connections. Earlier than the June 15th date we were quoted.
- *Security Lights for B/C/D and parking lot arrived and are due to be installed 5/28/10.
- *Security Camera upgrade is in planning stage because it is hazy and needs to be moved to platform.
- *Fence contractor – Need a gate and fencing for B/C/D power platform.
- *Paver Stone Samples need to be considered for colors and style.
- *Need to consider a Testing lab for the concrete and construction overseer for the Paving Contract.
- *4 Wet Slips are leased per Mr. Maugans 12 Transient slips are booked for this weekend. There is an 80' Sea Scout boat due in on 6/16/2010.
- *Asbestos Demo a permit was issued, Postponed until June 22, 2010.

DISCUSS/CONSIDER EXPENDITURES

Seabreeze Landfill – Dredge Spoils - \$1,230.80

After discussion of what this bill is for, Mr. Cameron made a motion to pay, after the bill was validated by Mr. Welch. The motion was seconded by Mr. Shaefer and passed unanimously.

Fossi & Jewell – Legal Services for April 2010 - \$9,911.43

It was discussed to remove \$350.00 for Marina Lease Revision, City should pay for this. A motion was made by Ms. Wood-Wicke to pay, minus the \$350.00, it was seconded by Mr. Cameron and passed unanimously.

Larry Shaefer – Computer Work/Marina UPS/Postage - \$75.00.

A motion was made to pay by Ms. Wood-Wicke, seconded by Ms. Diehl and passed unanimously.

DISCUSS/CONSIDER TESTING LAB FOR CONCRETE/PAVING

A motion was made to table this item by Mr. Cameron, it was seconded by Ms. Wood-Wicke and passed unanimously.

DISCUSS/CONSIDER FIRE DEPARTMENT STAND PIPES

A motion was made by Mr. Cameron for Firetrol to design system in conjunction with the Fire Marshall, a second was made by Mr. Shaefer and passed unanimously.

DISCUSS/CONSIDER BIDS FOR DRYSTACK BUILDING PERMANENT ELECTRICAL

A motion was made by Ms. Wood-Wicke to accept the bid from Turnkey as long as it was \$5431.20 or less, the motion was seconded by Ms. Diehl and passed unanimously.

DISCUSS/CONSIDER JOINT MEETING WITH FREEPORT CITY COUNCIL

EDC to bring City Council up to date with lawsuits with Walker Royal and with Damian & Associates at June 7, 2010 meeting. Mr. Fossi and Ms. Jewell will come to give the presentation free of charge. A motion was made by Mr. Shaefer, seconded by Mr. Cameron and passed unanimously to have a joint meeting with City Council on June 7, 2010.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – SECTION 551.072

Deliberations concerning the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property when deliberations in an open meeting might have a detrimental affect on the position of the Board of Directors in negotiations with a third party, to-wit: Briarwood Capital

ACTION AS A RESULT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION ITEM

None

ADJOURN

A motion was made by Mr. Cameron to adjourn, it was seconded by Ms. Wood-Wicke and passed unanimously. Meeting was adjourned at 7:46 pm.

These minutes were read and approved this _____ day of May, 2010.

Dan Tarver, President

Attested to by Lila Diehl, Secretary