



Economic Development Corporation

STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF BRAZORIA

CITY OF FREEPORT

BE IT REMEMBERED that the Economic Development Corporation of the City of Freeport met in a regular meeting Thursday, July 9th, 2009, at the Freeport City Council Chambers at 430 N. Brazosport Blvd. for the purpose of considering the following agenda items.

Dan Tarver (President)
Lila Diehl (Secretary)
Gilbert Cuellar (Absent)
William Rains

Clan Cameron (Vice-President)
Bobby Jo Casale
Johnny McQuaig (Absent)

Visitors in attendance.

Larry McDonald, Rosa McDonald, Rene Damian, Eric Hayes, Nat Hickey, Cele Damian, Patrick Gore
Nathaniel Lukafuhr.

OPEN MEETING

Meeting was called to order by Dan Tarver at 6:00 pm, with Lila Diehl, William Rains, Clan Cameron, and Bobby Jo Casale in attendance.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – SECTION 551.072

Deliberations concerning the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property when deliberation in an open meeting might have a detrimental affect on the position of the Board of Directors in negotiations with a third person, to-wit: Briarwood Capital
Estimated duration: 20 minutes

ACTION AS A RESULT OF ITEM #2 EXECUTIVE SESSION.

Mr. Rains moved to meet with City Council during Council's Executive Session. Mr. Cameron seconded the motion and was carried unanimously.

CONSIDERATION APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE 6/25/2009 MEETINGS.

Mr. Rains moved to table the approval of the minutes of the 6/25/09 meeting, Mr. Cameron seconded, the motion carried unanimously.

CITIZENS COMMENTS

There were no Citizens Comments.

ACTING PROJECT MANAGER'S REPORT – Nat Hickey

Invoices for approval: (Rene to get the invoice to Nat)

Forbes, sheet steel pilings for staging area \$193,289.00 which does not include the installation, just for materials.

SPL, Dredged material analysis \$7,240.00

Seabreeze Landfill, dredged material disposal \$82,811.79

Sorrell Trucking, Dredging 90%, \$162,661.32. Ten percent with held. (Rene to get invoice to Nat)

No Trespassing or Docking signs received and ready for installation along waterfront area of marina.

Forbes has experienced vandalism on their equipment used for installation of sheet pilings. Have discussed the possibility of them storing their equipment inside the dry stack building at night. Dan will probably discuss this item with you later in the meeting. Dan told the Foreman it would be ok to put in the Dry stack Building they would be responsible, and the gates are also locked at night.

The Forbes Superintendent on the job has asked that Rene or his representative visit the site and verify the area which needs to be cleaned for the docks in the staging area. It is our understanding at least a part of the staging area docks are in transit. Installation of the sheet pilings should begin on or about Monday the 13th.

Renditions of the proposed ship store interior should be ready for presentation by the next meeting, and will be in the packet.

All bills have either been paid or in process.

PROJECT ENGINEER'S REPORT – Rene Damian

DOCKS – Dock shipment left this week. Set to arrive early next week. another shipment is scheduled for early next week. Set to arrive late next week.

BULKHEAD – Steel sheet pile has arrived. Contractors are sandblasting and coating the steel sheets and walers. Will begin driving piling on Monday.

SHORELINE – Contractor has removed majority of the concrete, rubble, and timber piling. Removed a 30' x 6' concrete mass. Still have a large concrete section along the shoreline. Need to evaluate its size. May be able to leave in place and bulkhead around it.

PAVING – Looking at asphaltting approximately 2/3's of the paving instead of concrete., Possibly using County Inter-local agreement. Abandoned Brazos Blvd. now a private road. Will need to designate a portion as a City Street again in order to use County funds. (Council will have to do)

GENERAL CLEAN-UP – City of Freeport to take tires to City Service Center for cleaning and recycling using current vendor. Getting an estimate from two contractors to remove piling and concrete and other debris from Second St. site.

SCHEDULE – Have a preliminary schedule outline completed. Will fill in dates and have for next meeting.

BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Mr. Rains thought that everything was coming along nicely, but thought we should come up with good firm dates for completion.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF EXPENDITURES

Forbes Construction - \$193,289.00 – for Steel Sheet Piling

SPL Inc. - \$7,240.00 – Dredge Spoil Analysis

Seabreeze Landfill - \$82,811.79 (4,091.48 tons of contaminated Dredge Spoils @ \$20.00 a ton)

Mike Sorrell Trucking - \$162,661.32 – Marina Dredging

Mr. Rains moved to approve expenditures, Mr. Cameron seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURN

Mr. Cameron moved to adjourn, Mr. Rains seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. Meeting was adjourned at 7:05 pm.