Bronte Economic Development Corporation – 4B Special Meeting Minutes March 25, 2021

Quorum

Reese Braswell called the special meeting to order at 4:59 p.m. on Thursday March 25, 2021 and quorum was established.

Present: Reese Braswell, Susan Williams, Linda Scott, Brenda Hines, Gwen Dyess with Mikah attending via audio conferences. Also present were Teresa Ballard and Andra Arrott.

Visitors - Paul Williams

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Reese. Prayer was led by visitor Paul Williams.

Coke County Commissioner Paul Williams spoke to board members regarding community swimming pool needs repairs. Coke county budget will not cover all the cost. The bid is for \$42,452.00. Coke county could cover one third of the bid. Mr. Williams asked if EDC board would cover the other two thirds. Susan made the motion to approve up to \$14,150.66 assist with the repairs to the Bronte Community Swimming Pool, seconded by Linda. Ayes, motion carries.

Reese discussed amending Zach White's Store Front Grant for Zach's Smoke Shack. Zach White did not figure in the increase in lumber when he submitted the original application. We have two options: approved as is and pay him the 30% to complete the job for an additional \$1,344 or we can amend and increase so he can finish the job and then pay him the remaining amount. Linda made the motion to approve the additional \$1,344 to complete the fencing, seconded by Marlene. Gwen has abstained from vote. Ayes motion carries. Total grant has been amended to \$5,773.98.

Reese went over the revised Loan Forgiveness Grant to Zach White for Zach's Smoke Shake. He is applying for \$8,200.00. Linda made the motion to approve \$5,000 for startup business and \$3,200 for equipment totaling \$8,200, seconded by Mikah. Gwen abstained from vote. Aye's motion carries. Public hearing will be April 12, 2021.

Grenda ;

Meeting adjourned at 6:17 p.m.

REESE BRASWELL, PRESIDENT

BRENDA HINES, SECRETARY