

**Bronte Economic Development Corporation – 4B**  
Meeting Minutes  
September 11, 2023

The regular meeting of the Bronte Economic Development Corporation 4B was called to order at 6:00 pm in the Bronte City Hall Council Chambers, 114 S Washington, Bronte, TX.

President Linda Scott called meeting to order and established a quorum at 6:00 PM. Present: Linda Scott, Brenda Hines, Stacy Kelton, Katie Meeks, Cyndi Carlton, Deborah Bailey, and Teresa Ballard. Gwen Dyess absent. Also in attendance were Erica Verfurth, Cynthia Turner, Jodi Arrott and Darla Chisholm.

Linda Scott led the pledge of allegiance to the US and Texas Flags.  
Katie Meeks led the prayer.

There were no public comments.

Discuss/consider Loan Forgiveness/Grant application for Erica Verfurth dba The Ivey Courts. The board went into executive session at 6:25 pm and returned to regular session at 7:20 pm. Katie Meeks moved the Board approve the application for \$16,273.60, seconded by Deborah Bailey. Application will go before the City Council at their regular meeting, Thursday, September 21. If approved by the Council, the public hearing will be Monday, September 25, 2023, at 2:00 pm.

Linda Scott gave an update on TMCN training that was held on August 30.

Board to consider sponsorship of Bronteoberfest, October 21. Restoring Bronte Foundation will put two porta potties and a sink in the mini park for downtown use. Katie Meeks made a motion to give restoring Bronte Foundation \$5,000.00 from the non-profit community development budget, seconded by Cyndi Carlton. All in favor. There will not be a shuttle unless someone steps up to oversee.

Update on Bronte Depot Restoration Project. Insurance has sent the City of Bronte a check for \$3200.00 for damage done to the roof of the depot during a recent storm. BDRP committee to get estimates for repair.

Brenda Hines made motion to approve the August 7<sup>th</sup> meeting minutes with correction, seconded by Stacy Kelton. All approved.

Stacy Kelton made a motion to approve August financial reports, seconded by Brenda Hines. All approved.


Hanna Whisenhunt dba Blissful Beauty Salon has defaulted on her Loan Forgiveness Grant by closing her shop before the time agreed in the Performance Agreement. The Board will pursue reimbursement from her in the amount of \$1650.00.

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Teresa Ballard will set up a meeting between the EDC4 Board and the Bronte Downtown Merchants Association to discuss downtown shopping during Bronteoberfest.

The Board discussed working with the Restoring Bronte Foundation on the demolition of houses in Bronte on a case-by-case basis. Item tabled.

Linda Scott adjourned the meeting at 8:47 p.m.

  
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