Bronte Economic Development Corporation – 4B

Meeting Minutes August 8, 2022

The regular meeting of the Bronte Economic Development Corporation 4B was called to order at 6:03 p.m. in the Bronte Housing Authority Community Room at 116 NE Railroad Rd., Bronte, Texas.

Present: Linda Scott, Susan Williams, Gwen Dyess, Brenda Hines, Cyndi Carlton, Deborah Bailey, and Teresa Ballard. Visitors present as follows: Mikah Davidson

President Linda Scott called meeting to order and established quorum. Linda led the pledge of allegiance and Susan led prayer There were no public comments.

Regular Agenda

Susan Williams had a telephone conversion regarding day care in the community with Carlton Schwab, the president with Texas Economic Development Council (TEDC). In summary the community needs a daycare center to support women in the work force. EDC could do a type of a forgiveness loan grant or a flat-out grant. He mentioned there are grants out there for daycares especially for rural communities. His advice would be the EDCs to set it up as a nonprofit. It becomes a self-sufficient business in time. BEDC board could give seed money to help with the startup cost. Mikah Davidson had a licensed daycare but would help in any way she can to help someone get started. There is a leadership team meeting next week and will discuss daycare options. There might be other places to consider.

Linda tabled and will add daycare needs as an on-going agenda item.

Susan made the motion to approve July 11, 2022, minutes and financials as presented, Gwen seconded the motion. All ayes. Motion carried

Teresa presented the city website domain renewal fee & services. After discussion about full strut media, Susan made the motion for the city to take over the city website and pay the domain renewal fee, also lowering the monthly maintenance fee from \$200 a month to \$100 a month with the City and EDC paying \$50 each month to promote Bronte to KCR Productions. Gwen seconded the motion. All ayes. Motion carried

Susan made the motion to pay \$1,040 for the new Welcome Hunters Flag and banner and was seconded by Cyndi. All ayes. Motion carried

Cyndi made the motion and Susan seconded the motion, that Teresa will check with legal counsel regarding placing a lien at the courthouse against Mr. Zach White regarding Loan Forgiveness Grant Default. All ayes. Motion carried

Board discussed other options to bring food vendors to Bronte. Teresa will talk to 3B's food truck in Blackwell to see if they would come to Bronte.

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Deborah made the motion to table the update on changes to by-laws for Teresa to get more clarification on the term limit and Gwen seconded the motion. All ayes motion carried to table.

Board discussed all budget line items. Gwen made the motion to accept the FY 22-23 budget as presented, seconded by Deborah. All ayes motion carried

Linda met another EDC member from Coleman, and they discussed Association of Rural Communities in Texas (ARCIT) has help with their community. She will come and talk to us about ways the ARCIT has help with the community.

"ARCIT offers a strong voice and resource to the Texas state legislature, Texas state agencies and the federal government to promote the best practices, policies and programs for rural and small communities, while enhancing the quality of life for all Texans."

Gwen discussed the possibility of purchasing property by the school possibly for daycare.

Teresa distributed information on update on trainings

Board discussed FY22-23 projects - Discussed ways to use the Depot

Teresa notified the name change to financial consultant from Triple B CPA to Braylen B. Barker, CPA, LLC. No action taken.

Meeting adjourned at 8:24 p.m.

President

Secretary