

Economic Development Corporation – 4B
Meeting Minutes
April 11, 2022

The regular meeting of the Economic D Corporation – 4B was called to order at 6:05p.m. in the Bronte City Hall Council Chamber, 114 S. Washington, Bronte, Texas

Present: Susan Williams, Gwen Dyess, Linda Scott, Teresa Ballard, Brenda Hines, Cyndi Carlton, Deborah Bailey, and Mikah Davidson attended via telephone. We welcomed our new board members, Deborah Bailey, and Cyndi Carlton. Visitors present as follows: Tommy & Carol White.

Vice President Susan Williams called the meeting to order, and quorum was established. Vice President Susan Williams led the pledge of allegiance and prayer and welcomed all visitors.

Vice President Susan Williams led the appoint of Board of Director Officers as follows: Susan Williams nominated Linda Scott for President, seconded by Gwen Dyess, all ayes. President Linda Scott nominated Susan Williams for Vice President, seconded by Gwen Dyess, all ayes.

Secretary - Brenda Hines agreed to continue as secretary

Treasurer – Susan Williams nominated Gwen Dyess, seconded by Deborah Bailey, all ayes.

Loan Forgiveness Grant(s)

- Lanette Fletcher presented grant applications for Thankful Ladies Boutique asking for \$5,000.00 to help with inventory and \$10,000.00 for building improvements for the remodel of Beauty Salon building. We closed on the building on January 14, 2022. We have hired another employee at Glenn-Blevins to help with both businesses. She has been sending quarterly reports Teresa Ballard and has been also sending quarterly sales tax from sales from the Ladies Boutique.

Board reviewed application and has tabled the application at this time. The board will reconsider your application once you have submitted documents needed to finish application. Teresa Ballard will notify applicant on the necessary needed to finish application request.

- Hannah Whisenhunt presented grant application for Blissful Beauty Salon is asking for new business \$3,300.00 to help with startup inventory and equipment. Looking at be opened Monday – Friday 7:30am – 4:30 - 5:00pm from and every other Saturday from 8am – 3pm. I will also be getting commission for Boutique items sold.

Board reviewed application and has tabled the application at this time. The board will reconsider your application once you have submitted documents needed to finish application once we receive your cosmology license and sales tax permit. Teresa Ballard will notify applicant on the necessary needed to finish application request.

- Tim Smith presented an amended application Bronte Guns & Tackle, LLC. Linda Scott explained to new board members that the application was tabled last year as they were needing more clarification on the building and more on alternative. Since then, we recently built building at the corner of Main and State. All sales are taxable. Current hours are Monday – Saturday 9am-5pm and. I have one full-time employee and two part-time employees and myself.

Store Front Grant

- Tim Smith presented the application for all signs and murals; I could not wait for approval of this application, and I hope you will take that into consideration when you meet. I have paid the down payment for the mural.

Board reviewed application and has tabled the application at this time. The board will reconsider your application once you have submitted documents needed to finish application. Teresa Ballard will notify applicant on the necessary needed to finish application request.

All applications have been presented. Board went into to executive session at 7:15 pm to discuss the loan and store front grant applications. Came out of executive session at 8:15 pm.

The downtown lighting has been taken down, but we need to discuss how long we want to keep them up next year. No action taken.

Board discussed feedback from November Town Hall meeting on November 15, 2021. Personnel committee will discuss the possibility contracting with Ken Becker to assist with our operations. Tabled and more to come.

Susan Williams gave board an update on assisting with repairs to community swimming pool and with restrooms at the county park. This item was tabled and talk about later.

Consider assisting with baseball field. This item was tabled.

Feedback from Texas Midwest Community Network (TMCN) "Tourism is Economic Development" Luncheon hosted by City of Bronte at Ft. Chadbourne March 2, 2022.

Consider approval of getting certificate to be a Texas Film Town. Susan Williams made the motion to approve, and it was seconded by Gwen Dyess. All ayes.

Consider sending someone(s) to attend the Texas Film Commission Workshop, May 18-21, 2022, in Parker Texas. Susan Williams made the motion to send Linda Scott and Brenda Hines to attend expenses for the room, meals, and mileage, and Gwen Dyess seconded. All ayes.

Susan Williams made the motion to approve January 10, 2022, as presented and Gwen Dyess seconded. All ayes.

Susan Williams made the motion to approve this invoice from Glenn-Bivins Insurance Agency for annual 5 position bond, it was seconded by Gwen Dyess. All ayes.

Braylen Barker filed the annual FY21 Report filed with Texas Comptroller's Board. This in compliance. Information only.

Teresa Ballard reported the FY 21 Audit Report – Fullerton & Associates PPLC has been approved by council. EDC didn't get an invoice from Fullerton. Teresa Ballard will discuss with city council if you get invoiced. Information only.

Training opportunities - ED Sales Tax Training June 10, 2022. Susan Williams made to motion to send Gwen Dyess and Teresa Ballard to attend Sales Tax that is required for their position to the EDC, Cyndi Carlton seconded. All ayes.

Meeting adjourned at 8:52 p.m.



President



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