

SHEPHERD ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

REGULAR MEETING

28 N. Liberty, Shepherd, Texas 77371
Shepherd EDC January 6, 2020 at 6:00 P. M.

OFFICIAL MINUTES: Regular Called Meeting

Members Present: Joe Williamson, Jody Cronin, Sherry Roberts, Rick Hartley,

Members Absent: Freddy Ramos, Charles Minton, Amanda Addison

Others Present: Debra Hagler,

CALLED TO ORDER/INVOCATION/PLEDGE

Joe Williamson called the meeting to order. Sherry Roberts said the prayer and the pledges were stated.

APPROVE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Sherry Roberts made a motion to approve the minutes. Jody Cronin seconded and the motion passed with a unanimous vote.

APPROVAL MONTHLY PAYMENT OF BILLS

Sherry Roberts made a motion to pay the bills. Jody Cronin seconded and the motion passed with a unanimous vote.

CITIZEN PRESENTATIONS: NONE

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

Discuss and take action necessary to publish job notice.

Sherry Roberts made a motion to take action on what was discussed regarding the job notice. Jody Cronin seconded and the motion passed with a unanimous vote. The discussion was to insert the salary range into the job notice presented and to state that the EDC is looking for previous experience or a college education. They board also wanted to job notice listed with the Workforce and to reach out to Betty Russo regarding posting it at the State level. Application and a resume will be required. Application deadline is the end of January at which time the subcommittee will review the applications. The board retains the right to seek more applications if they deem it necessary.

Discuss and take action to contribute to the cost of a fence between on the Old TXDOT property to divide the Shepherd Youth League from the School's property.

Jody Cronin made a motion to contribute \$3000.00 towards this fence. Sherry Roberts seconded and the motion passed with a unanimous vote. The fence is necessary for security purposes. The cost of the fence will be split between the school and the Shepherd Youth League.

Discuss and take action to consider a "Campaign of Kindness" saying thank-you to the businesses we have and acknowledging how difficult it can be to survive.

This item was tabled to be discussed again at the February Meeting. Sherry Roberts introduced the idea that existing businesses need to be shown appreciation. She suggested a concentrated effort to support existing businesses. The idea of a banquet sponsored by the EDC and the Chamber of Commerce might be a good way to show appreciation in a positive environment.

Discuss and Evaluate 2019 and take action necessary to set goals for 2020

The goals discussed were to attract 3 businesses, recognition of local businesses and to implement an EDC professional.

Announcements:

Jack In The Box is looking for employees. Mrs. Courvell's work program was mentioned

ADJOURN

Rick Hartley made a motion to adjourn. Sherry Roberts seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Approved by: _____

Joe Williamson,
EDC President

*Prepared by Debra Hagler