

# **SHEPHERD ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION**

## **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

### **REGULAR MEETING**

28 N. Liberty, Shepherd, Texas 77371  
Shepherd EDC August 3, 2020 at 6:00 P. M.

#### **OFFICIAL MINUTES: Regular Called Meeting**

**Members Present:** Joe Williamson, Jody Cronin, Sherry Roberts, Freddy Ramos, Charles Minton

**Members Absent:** Amanda Addison

**Others Present:** Debra Hagler, Lauren Migl, Betty Russo.

#### **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. Charles Minton seconded and the motion passed with a unanimous vote.

#### **APPROVAL MONTHLY PAYMENT OF BILLS**

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

#### **CITIZEN PRESENTATIONS:**

None

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

##### **Discuss and take action to discuss potential nominees to fill Rick Hartley's position.**

Jody Cronin made a motion to present Mark Hamilton to the City Council to appoint to the vacancy on the board. Charles Minton seconded and the motion passed with a unanimous vote.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

##### **Discuss and take action necessary regarding the purchase of 11281 Hwy 150, a property which adjoins property currently owned by the EDC**

No Action was taken on this item. The question was asked as to why the board should consider this purchase. The response was because people are calling frequently looking for commercial space. The board felt there would be too much overhead to make this property look less residential and more commercial.

##### **Discuss and take action necessary regarding the 2020-2021 Budget**

The budget was approved by the EDC board and able to be presented to the City Council.

#### **Report from Lauren Migl**

Lauren had several ideas to present to the board. A Business of the Month was discussed. The hurdle of how to inform the public of the monthly selection was discussed. Lauren announced several new businesses that will open in the near future. She stated she is working on a Business Director and presented the idea of welcome baskets to the new businesses. Spirit Days, Pirate Flags, Meet & Greet Breakfast and other ideas were discussed. Lauren reported that she has been able to respond to 3 leads. And that she is researching local and state incentives

**OPEN DISCUSSION**

Betty Russo gave Lauren kudo's for the work she has done within the short time she has been employed.

**ADJOURN**

Jody Cronin made a motion to adjourn. Charles Minton seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Approved by:

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Joe Williamson, EDC President

\*Prepared by Debra Hagler