

SHEPHERD ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

REGULAR MEETING

28 N. Liberty, Shepherd, Texas 77371
Shepherd EDC May 6, 2019 at 6:00 P. M.

OFFICIAL MINUTES: Regular Called Meeting

Members Present: Joe Williamson Charles Minton Jody Cronin
Sherry Roberts Rick Hartley

Members Absent: Roy Pippin, Freddy Ramos

Others Present: Debra Hagler, Betty Russo, Amanda & Isaac Addison,

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 as presented. Charles Minton 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

PUBLIC HEARING to hear public comments on a proposed performance incentive agreement with Shepherd ISD to fund additional part time teachers to improve test scores.

No one was present with any comments.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

Discuss and take action to approve a Performance Incentive Agreement with the school to improve Shepherd ISD test scores which in turn should improve the image of both the school district and the City in order to attract prospective new businesses which may be considering locating in the City of Shepherd and to promote new or expanded business development in the City.

Charles Minton made a motion to approve the Performance Agreement. Sherry Roberts seconded. The motion passed with 3 votes to approve the agreement and with 2 recusing themselves from the vote because they are school employees. There was no opposition therefore the motion passed.

Discuss and take action necessary to hire an EDC professional.

No action was taken on this item at this time. There was discussion about the need to hire an EDC administrator but they felt more time was needed to explore job descriptions, expectations, and salary. This person would be expected to promote and help grow business. This person would report to the EDC Board. The board realizes this could be a slow process and therefore is considering a part time position with other job duties such as utilizing them to promote the community center. Betty Russo from the office of the Governor committed to provide job descriptions and a range of salaries by the next meeting.

The JROTC made a surprise visit to present the flags and the pledges.

OPEN DISCUSSION

Teacher Appreciation Week and Small Business Week were mentioned.

ADJOURN

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

Approved by:

Joe Williamson, EDC President
*Prepared by Debra Hagler