

**SHEPHERD ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION**

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

SPECIAL CALLED MEETING

28 N. Liberty, Shepherd, Texas 77371

April 14, 2025, at 6:00pm

**Members Present:** Kurtz Stowers, Mark Porter, Billy Lacoste, Wendell Williams, Charles Minton, Kolton Purvis

**Members Absent:**

**Others Present:** Debra Hagler

**CALLED TO ORDER/INVOCATION/PLEDGE**

Kurtz Stowers called the meeting to order.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Discuss and take action regarding an Economic Development Agreement with VIA Real Estate, LLC. to develop a retail Tractor Supply store.**

Charles Minton made a motion to approve this agreement. Mark Porter seconded, and the motion passed with 5 voting yes and no opposition.

**Discuss and take action to accept Freddy Ramos' resignation.**

Mark Porter made a motion to accept Freddy's resignation. Charles Minton seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

**Discuss and take action to determine a recommendation to take to City Council to fill this vacancy.**

Mark Porter made a motion to have Pam Ellis fill the vacancy. Charles Minton seconded, and the motion passed with a unanimous vote. Pam recently agreed to be an EDC advisor to the board.

**OPEN DISCUSSION & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Charles announced that the new Mexican Food Restaurant that will open where Happy Days Diner was contacted him about selling liquor by the drink.

**ADJOURN: 6:12pm**

Billy LaCoste made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Kolton Purvis seconded the motion. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

Approved by: \_\_\_\_\_

Kurtz Stowers, EDC President

\*Prepared by Debra Hagler