

**MINUTES OF MEETING OF
TRINIDAD ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
Regular Session**

Tuesday, July 13, 2021- 5:30 p.m.

The Board of Directors of the Trinidad Economic Development Corporation convened in public session and Public Hearing on grant funding Tuesday, July 13, 2021, at 5:30 p.m. in the City Hall at 212 Park Street, Trinidad, Texas, and Notice is hereby given that a quorum of the City Council may be in attendance at this TEDC meeting at which time the following subjects were discussed:

1. **Call to Order**: Jerry Bannister called the meeting to order at 5:36 p.m.
2. **Roll Call**: Members present were Betty Sanders, Chondra Sutton, Jeff McClintock and Jerry Bannister. Chris Riley, Teresa Crawford and Billy Ray Hornbuckle were absent.
3. **Invocation**: Betty Sanders led the invocation.
4. **Open Forum**: Don Brawner had questions regarding the Performance Agreement between Gary Hobbs and EDC. He mentioned according to his reading the agreement, the deadline was December 2020. He asked the board if a letter has been sent requesting the refund of money as required in the agreement. Mr. Bannister said letter has been sent. He then asked if they would agree that it's been way too long that no request has been made. Jerry Bannister said no and Chondra Sutton said after the way Trinidad was so inappropriate with their behavior with this man's business, no. Mr. Brawner said in order to help EDC along with this, he's going to put it on the next city council agenda to discuss and see if there is some way to enforce the agreement. Ms. Sutton said of course you would. Jeff McClintock told Mr. Brawner that he told him personally that the only reason he was on the city council was for the police department; you don't care about the city. Mr. Bannister asked why the City Council doesn't move that fast. He's seen for years City Council table, table but now you're expecting (pause).you lead by example. Mr. Brawner said you lead by example but nothing has been done about agreement. Ms. Sutton said no the City Council hasn't. Jeff McClintock said your time is up, let's move on.
5. **Board Members Inquiry Time**: No comments made
6. **Work Session**:
 - **Update on any pending businesses or contacts**:
 1. City Administrator texted all EDC members a copy of YNS Development Services, Steven Haynes. He's very interested in helping with development of Trinidad.
 2. Jerry Bannister said that he's talked with Mr. Atwood for a possible anchor store in the strip center. He also talked with Josh at Powell Bank to possibly open a branch in Trinidad and possibly financing the strip center. Jerry bannister said he hasn't reached out to Mr. Taaffe because he started talking documents and attorneys so he's kind of left it alone.

3. Chondra Sutton said she sent Dusty grant information from Team Mobile so she could give it to Teresa. She hasn't heard if anyone has followed up with them. Jerry Bannister said he would check on it.

7. Convened into executive session at 6:12 p.m. pursuant to Section 551.072 deliberation regarding real property:

- Discuss performance agreement between EDC and Gary Hobbs
- Strip Center as a new project and next steps.

8. Reconvened into open session at 7:08 p.m. to take action as appropriate in the Board's discretion regarding real property.

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Motion made by Jerry Bannister to schedule special meeting for July 21, 2021 to invite Gary Hobbs to discuss the performance agreement in executive session. Jeff McClintock seconds. Motion was unanimous.

9. Consent Agenda: All matters listed under Consent Agenda are considered to be routine by Economic Development Board and will be enacted by one motion. If discussion is desired, that item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered separately.

1. Approval of payments of monthly invoices
2. Approval of the following minutes:
 - June 8, 2021
 - June 17, 2021 Special Session

Motion made by Jeff McClintock to approve the payments of monthly invoices and accept the minutes with correction of the person that opened the June 8 meeting. Betty Sanders seconds the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

10. Adjourn: Motion made by Jeff McClintock to adjourn. Betty Sanders seconds the motion. Motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 7.18 p.m.,

Approved:

Jerry Bannister, President

Attest:

Betty Sanders, Secretary