

The Cleveland Economic Development Corporation met for their monthly meeting on June 25, 2018, in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 907 E. Houston, Cleveland, Texas with Board President Brad Browder presiding.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Board President Brad Browder, Boardmember Marilyn Clay, Boardmember Fred Terrell, Boardmember Alfred Anderson, Boardmember Carolyn McWaters, J. Rice, Consultant, City Secretary Angela Smith

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Boardmember Kelly Jenkel-Axton, Boardmember Robert Reynolds

**VISITORS PRESENT:** Bobby Pennington, Jim Carson, Kelly McDonald

Board President Browder called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and stated there was a quorum. Boardmembers Jenkel-Axton and Reynolds were absent.

1. Invocation, Pledge and Roll Call.

J. Rice gave the invocation and Board President Browder led the Pledge of Allegiance to the US flag and to the Texas flag.

2. Approve minutes from May 7, May 15, May 21, and May 24, 2018 Board Meetings

Boardmember McWaters made a motion to approve the minutes as presented with a second from Boardmember Clay. All members present voted "AYE". Motion carried.

3. Review and approve financial statements for June 2018.

The financial statements were presented to the boardmembers by Assistant City Manager/ Finance Director Bobby Pennington for review and approval.

4. Review and approve bill payments

Assistant City Manager/Finance Director Pennington presented for approval the monthly bill payments. The FEMA expenses were separated from ball field expenses as the City is responsible for those costs. Mr. Pennington stated that he passed out to the members the update from Retail Coach.

<b>City of Cleveland</b>	<b>\$ 600.00</b>
<b>Sam Houston Electric</b>	<b>\$ 344.59</b>
<b>Precision Lawns</b>	<b>\$ 4,010.00</b>
<b>City of Cleveland</b>	<b>\$ 2,340.96</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 7,295.55</b>

Boardmember Anderson made a motion to approve bill payments and financial statement as presented with a second from Boardmember Terrell. All members present voted "AYE". Motion carried.

5. Review and approve the \$2,000 sponsorship to the City's Annual Fireworks event for 2018

City Manager McDonald stated that EDC had sponsored this in the past and it can be expensed out of marketing.

Boardmember McWaters made a motion to approve the expense of \$2,000 for the Annual Fireworks for City of Cleveland with a second from Boardmember Clay. All members present voted "AYE". Motion carried.

6. Review and approve members to attend the ARCIT Regional Conference in San Antonio, TX on October 1-3, 2018

Carolyn McWaters and Marilyn Clay stated they would like to attend this conference. Robert Reynolds provided the information that he wished to attend prior to the meeting since he was not able to attend.

Boardmember Anderson made a motion to approve the nominations for attendance to ARCIT as presented with a second from Boardmember Terrell. All members present voted "AYE". Motion carried.

7. Hear summary monthly business prospect report

J. Rice commented he deleted the two or three old ones that were over a year old. City Manager McDonald commented that the Kingwood Hospital unofficially closed on property and building plans are being reviewed. It will be property next to Depot Storage. Mission Chemical is still viable, still working with Unity Real Estate on 1010 & Bypass but haven't heard back recently.

8. Public Comments

Jim Carson presented the Chamber update.

9. Reports and comments from Directors and staff

City Manager McDonald stated that the City is moving forward with the restrooms at the T-Ball field with a company from Buy Board and they should be in shortly. She also provided an update on Earth Entergy lawsuit. They responded stated they are not obligated now. Boardmember Terrell attended the school board meeting Monday. Boardmember Clay is impressed with Retail Coach reporting. She and Robert Reynolds attended the TEDC conference in Galveston and it was more of a roundtable environment. She did make contact with an engineering firm that wants to come and present their services to EDC or the City.

10. Adjourn

There being no further business to transpire, Boardmember Anderson moved that the meeting be adjourned, with a second from Boardmember McWaters. Meeting adjourned at 6:40 p.m. All members present voted "AYE". Motion carried.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of July 2018.

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Brad Browder  
Board President

ATTEST:

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Angela Smith, City Secretary