

**CITY OF FREEPORT
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION**

STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF BRAZORIA

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BE IT REMEMBERED that the Economic Development Corporation of the City of Freeport met in a scheduled meeting Thursday, May 26, 2011 at the Freeport City Council chambers at 403 N. Brazosport Boulevard, for the purpose of considering the following agenda items.

Jim Barnett (President)
Lila Diehl (Secretary)
Kenny Kouches
William Rains

Brooks Bass (Vice-President)
Sandra Wood-Wicke
Lon Siddall

Visitors in attendance: Annette Sanford, Eric Hayes, Mrs. Barnett, Nicole Mireles, Joyce Adkins, Norma Garcia

OPEN MEETING

Mr. Barnett opened the meeting at 6:07 pm, with all members in attendance, except Mr. Siddall.

CITIZENS COMMENTS

Mr. Eric Hayes addressed the Board because there had been some discussion about the Marina Dry Stack Building and he stated that it is continually on the EDC Agenda listed under Executive Session, he would like to know why the Board is still having discussions about the Dry Stack Building when the complete Marina including both the wet slips and Dry Stack were turned over to the City in the June 3, 2010 meeting of the EDC. Mr. Hayes presented each member of the Board a copy of the paperwork signed by both EDC President at the time Dan Tarver and the City Manager Jeff Pynes and dated June 4, 2010, as the record showing that the EDC relinquished all responsibility and ownership of The Freeport Marina to the City of Freeport by a unanimous vote of the Board.

Mrs. Sanford commended the Board for setting up workshops, and questioned why the Damian's, Briarwood and the Dry Stack Building were always on the agenda for Executive session.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Rains made a motion to approve the minutes of May 12, 2011; the motion was seconded by Mr. Kouches and passed unanimously.

CONSIDER/DISCUSS PAYMENT OF BILLS

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

None at this time, waiting on Budget discussion later on agenda.

SET DATE FOR WORKSHOP MEETING

It was discussed and decided that the Board would hold a workshop meeting on June 7, 2011 at 6:00 pm. with the public and Council invited to attend. If another workshop was needed there would be one scheduled at that time. Mr. Bass made a motion, Ms. Wood-Wicke seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. Ms. Mireles stated that maybe it should be put in the paper so that more of the public might attend.

BUDGET DISCUSSION

Mr. Hickey informed the Board that with Mr. Welch and he proposed to him that the Budget be expanded so it shows how much is spent on everything. He also prepared a sample budget for the Board to look at. He believes that this way it will be easier to keep track of the money.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

551.071, Government Code

Consultation with FEDC attorney concerning pending or contemplated litigation Settlement offers or other matters in which his duty to the FEDC under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of professional conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly Conflicts with Chapter 551, Government Code, to-wit:

- a. FEDC vs. Damian & Associates
- b. FEDC vs. Briarwood Holding
- c. Dry stack building – ownership and insurance

ACTION AS A RESULT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made by Mr. Bass to approve to pay the legal bills listed on the Invoice Summary. The motion was seconded by Mr. Rains and passed unanimously.

ADJOURN

Mr. Kouches made a motion to adjourn; the motion was seconded by Ms. Wood-Wicke the motion passed unanimously. Meeting was adjourned at 7:30 pm.

These minutes were read and approved this _____ day of May, 2011.

James Barnett, President

Attested to by Lila Diehl, Secretary