#### STATE OF TEXAS

### **COUNTY OF BRAZORIA**

#### CITY OF FREEPORT

BE IT REMEMBERED that the Economic Development Corporation of the City of Freeport met in a regular meeting on Thursday, April 24, 2008, at 6:30 P.M. at the Police Department Municipal Courtroom located at 430 North Brazosport Boulevard for the purpose of considering the following agenda items.

John Smith III, President Ronald Theriot, Treasurer Louis Jones Mark Wessels Jacque Cundieff, Vice-President (Absent) Norma Garcia, Secretary (Absent) Carlos Martinez (Absent)

Visitors: Wright Gore III

### OPEN MEETING

Mr. Smith opened the meeting at 6:30 P.M.

## CONSIDER APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE 04/10/08 MEETING

The minutes were approved on motion by Mr. Jones, seconded by Mr. Theriot with all present voting aye.

### REVIEW OF EXPENDITURES

The listing of expenditures was approved on motion by Mr. Theriot, seconded by Mr. Jones with all present voting aye.

## **CITIZENS COMMENTS**

Wright Gore came through the door at this time demanding that the public address system be turned on because this was a public meeting. Mr. Smith responded that since Gore was the only visitor that the board would be sure to speak loudly enough for him to hear. Gore repeated that this was a public meeting and he wanted the public address system turned on. Mr. Smith graciously got up and figured out how to turn the system on even though Gore had no right to make such a demand.

# **DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

The permit for the Trico dock has been issued resulting in the completion of the task of securing all required permits and leases.

The contractors doing the bulk heading have run into another abandoned pipeline resulting in the splitting of one piece of the bulkhead.

Fire protection requirements for the dry stack are being analyzed. Installing sprinklers will cost about \$500,000 and will do no good. Once a fire starts in a dry stack, there is no putting it out. Our money would be better spent on early fire detection.

Rene Damian and I met Ken Criswell and Walker Royall in Kemah to look at the different types of dock configurations. We are getting estimated prices on both fixed and floating docks in both covered and open applications.

## **ADJOURN**

The meeting was adjourned at 6:40 p.m. Wessels with all present voting aye.	on motion by Mr. Theriot,	, seconded by Mr.
These minutes read and approved this	day of	, 2008.
ATTEST	John Smith III, President	
Norma Garcia, Secretary		