

**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, April 28, 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.

ANNUAL MEETING

OPEN MEETING

Mr. Barnett opened the Annual Meeting at 6:00 pm, with all members in attendance, except Ms. Wood-Wicke.

DISCUSS/CONSIDER AMENDMENT TO BY-LAWS

A motion was made by Mr. Bass to accept the copy of the By-Laws without #8 which is Roberts Rules of order. The motion was seconded by Mr. Rains, and passed unanimously.

ADJOURN ANNUAL MEETING

Annual meeting was adjourned at 6:03 pm.

REGULAR MEETING

OPEN MEETING

Mr. Barnett opened the regular meeting at 6:03 pm, with all members in attendance, except Ms. Wood-Wicke

CITIZENS COMMENTS

Ms. Annette Sanford wanted to comment on The Main Street Pottery Project, she wasn't sure where all of the money was coming from, but she felt like the owners of the properties should have to pay some of the money.

Ms. Joyce Adkins agreed with Ms. Sanford and stated that we need the laws of the city enforced. She felt like if the property was anywhere else but downtown our Code Enforcement would have already mailed out letters and fines, she feels that these property owners need to be made to take care of their property the same as the rest of the citizens of Freeport are. She was not in favor of this project because in the past tax payers money has been spent on the downtown buildings and they were not maintained by the owners so it was wasted money, and the money could be better spent on the city youth.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Rains made a motion to approve the minutes of April 14, 2011, and the minutes of the April 25, 2011. The motion was seconded by Mr. Siddall and passed unanimously.

CONSIDER/DISCUSS PAYMENT OF BILLS

Fossi & Jewell: For letter of summary and telephone conversation with Mr. Bass. A motion to pay the bill was made by Mr. Bass; it was seconded by Mr. Rains and passed unanimously.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

None

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A. 551.074, Government Code

Deliberations concerning the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline or dismissal of a public officer or employee or to hear complaint or charge against an officer or employee, to-wit:

Bob Welch, Treasurer

DISCUSS/APPROVE PARTICIPATION IN FREEPORT CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION

Mr. Siddall showed the Art work from the High School to be used on the coins and T-shirts. The originals will be on display at City Hall.

Mr. Rains made a motion to donate \$1200.00. Mr. Kouches seconded the motion, the motion passed unanimously with Mr. Siddall abstaining from the vote.

DISCUSS/CONSIDER FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR MAIN STREET
POTTERY PROJECT

DISCUSS/CONSIDER APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL SUPPORT OF
ENTRANCE CORRIDOR PROJECT AT RAILROAD TRESTLE, 600 BLOCK
WEST 2ND STREET

A motion was made by Mr. Bass to table these 2 items until a later date. The motion was seconded by Mr. Siddall, and passed unanimously.

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. Summary letter of Fossi & Jewell

ACTION AS A RESULT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION

None

ADJOURN

Mr. Rains made a motion to adjourn; the motion was seconded by Mr. Kouches the motion passed unanimously. Meeting was adjourned at 7:05 pm.

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

James Barnett, President

Attested to by Lila Diehl, Secretary