MINUTES
WATAUGA ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
REGULAR MEETING
7105 WHITLEY ROAD, WATAUGA, TEXAS 76148
FEBRUARY 18, 2020
6:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER:

President Miner called the meeting to order at 6:19 PM.

DIRECTORS PRESENT:

Art Miner, President, Place 1
Amirali (A.J.) Fazalbhai, Place 2
Jan Hill, Place 3
Mike Alexander, Place 5
Cheneya Cruze, Place 6
Robert Gaffney, Place 7

DIRECTORS ABSENT:

Becky Hartless, Secretary, Place 4 without notice

CITY STAFF PRESENT:

Andrea Gardner, City Manager
Sandra Gibson, Finance Director
Denise Wilkinson, Economic Development Specialist
Chad Stephens, Parks Superintendent

Also present was Council Member Andrew Neal, Liaison

PRESENTATIONS

REPORTS FROM STAFF

1. Monthly Financial Report for the period ending December 31, 2019

   Ms. Sandra Gibson, the Monthly Financial Report for the period ending December 31, 2019.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Consider and take action to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 21, 2020

   Ms. Hill made a motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 21, 2021 as presented. Mr. Gaffney seconded and the motion carried unanimously as follows:

   Ayes: Fazalbhai, Hill, Alexander, Cruze, Gaffney
   Noes: None

PUBLIC HEARING

1. Conduct a public hearing to receive comments regarding a business retention project for Capp Smith Park benches

   President Miner opened the public hearing. Ms. Lindsey Neal provided to the Board, a picture of a park bench located at Friendship Park in Fort Worth, and recommended the Board consider this type of bench. President Miner closed the public hearing.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Discuss and consider action authorizing a business retention project for Capp Smith Park benches

   Ms. Gardner provided illustrations of the proposed park benches with the WEDC logo placed to the left, center and right of the messages on the back board of the bench and asked the Board to choose the favored design. Ms. Hill made a motion to choose the design with the logo located in the center of the back board and to authorize the City Manager to proceed with the project in accordance with Texas Local Government Code 505.159. Ms. Cruze seconded and the motion carried unanimously with the following vote:

   Ayes: Fazalbhai, Hill, Alexander, Cruze, Gaffney
   Noes: None

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Watauga Economic Development Corporation will recess its open meeting and reconvene in executive session to discuss the following items pursuant to the below referenced section(s) of the Texas Government Code.

1. Pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.087, 551.072 and 551.071, the Watauga Economic Development Corporation will meet in closed session to deliberate upon and seek legal advice from its General Counsel on economic development incentives to be offered to a business prospect that the Board seeks to have, locate or expand in the city limits and located at 6200 Watauga Road, commonly known as the "Brooks Property"

   President Miner adjourned the regular meeting at 6:27 PM for Executive Session. President Miner reconvened from Executive Session at 7:09 PM. There was no action taken by the Board as a result of the Executive Session.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, President Miner adjourned the regular meeting at 7:09 PM.

APPROVED: this the 31ST day of MARCH 2020.

SIGNED: this the 24TH day of JUNE 2020.

APPROVED: Arthur L. Miner /s/
Arthur L. Miner, President

ATTEST: Amirali (A.J) Fazalbhai /s/
Amirali (A.J.) Fazalbhai, Secretary