

Junction Texas Economic Development Corporation * Regular Monthly Meeting
City of Junction * August 7, 2018
State of Texas *

The *Junction Texas Economic Development Corporation* was called to order by Polly Robinson for its regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, August 7, 2018, at 5:14 p.m. in the City Hall Meeting Room. A quorum was established with the following:

Present:

President: Polly Robinson
Vice President: Tom Rattan
Treasurer: Kim Gosney
Secretary: Carol Neiman
Directors: Jean Jacoby
Doug Haynes
Hal Rose

Also Present: Donna E Oliver-Leep, JTEDC Office Manager; James Murr, journalist with The Junction Eagle newspaper; and Hoyt Moss with City of Junction Parks Department.

Public Forum: Hoyt Moss updated the board on the Christmas lighting project. He conveyed that:

- The Lions Club will oversee the project, but the number of trees to be lit in 2018 has been reduced to 10 from the original proposal of 104.
- The trees will be lit from Thanksgiving through New Year's Eve.
- Hopefully, more trees will be added every year.
- The long-term goal is to light all of the trees in the City Park and eventually the County Park.
- To fund this year's (2018) project of approximately \$10,000, the Lion's Club will be requesting funds from the Tourism board.
- Hoyt hopes that eventually the JTEDC can provide some financial assistance, as the lighting project should bring in customers that will support local businesses.

Consent Items: (A.) **Minutes** and (B.) **Financials:** After a review of the minutes and the financials,

- Mr. Haynes made a motion to accept the minutes and financials as reviewed; Mr. Rattan seconded the motion; and it passed unanimously.

Dale Johnson vs. JTEDC: Discussion only regarding the lawsuit *Dale Johnson vs. Junction Texas Economic Development Corporation (JTEDC)*.

Executive Session: At 5:19 p.m., JTEDC met in Executive Session "As authorized under the Texas Open Meetings Act pursuant to the Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code,

Section 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney)."A conference call was held with Jon Mark Hogg to discuss the current status of *Dale Johnson vs. JTEDC*. The closed session ended at 6:58 p.m.

Resume to Open Session: At 5:58 p.m., the JTEDC board meeting resumed to Open Session. No action was taken.

Adventurous Embroidery's Request for Extension of the Business Incentive Grant: At 6:02 p.m., the board went into executive session regarding Adventurous Embroidery's request to extend the allotted time for the company's *Business Incentive Grant*, with an unspent balance of \$1,543.82.

Executive Session: "As authorized under the Texas Open Meetings Act pursuant to the Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code, *Section 551.087 (Deliberations Regarding Economic Development Client Negotiations of the Government Code),*" to discuss the extension of the *Business Incentive Grant* until the remaining balance of \$1,543.84 is spent. Following a presentation by Ms. Robinson, the board discussed the request in a closed session that ended at 6:08 p.m.

Resume to Open Session: At 6:09 p.m., the meeting resumed in Open Session. There was no discussion.

- Ms. Jacoby made a motion to approve Adventurous Embroidery's request for an extension of the *Business Incentive Grant* to expend the remaining balance of \$1,543.84; Mr. Rose seconded the motion; and it passed unanimously.

2018-2019 Budget: Ms. Robinson presented the proposed 2018-2019 JTEDC Budget, pointing out that it is basically modeled on the current year's budget.

- Ms. Jacoby made a motion to approve the new 2018-2019 Budget to be presented to City Council on Thursday, August 9, 2018, at the City Meeting Room; Mr. Haynes seconded the motion; and it passed unanimously.

Reports:

- (A.) Planning & Zoning Commission Report from Doug Haynes was passed out to the members.
- (B.) Code Enforcement Report from Ms. Neiman was included in the board packet.
- (C.) Office Manager Report from Ms. Oliver-Leep was included in the board packet.
- (D.) Tourism Report from Ms. Robinson regarding the JTTB board meeting was included in the board packet

Media Marketing & Website Upgrade: Discussion headed up by Ms. Robinson.

- An old brochure from the 1930's was emailed to the board this week.
- The latest copy of the Business Directory was emailed to the board this week. Questions to be addressed are:
 - What information does the board want to include about the businesses?
 - What kind of changes should be made to the list?

- Should there be links from businesses to their websites?
- Dr. Tim Chandler is coming to town August 11-12 to do more interviews; and he will be here in September for further interviews.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m. on August 7, 2018.

Carol Neiman, Secretary