## JEFF DAVIS PARISH ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION (JDPEDC) MINUTES OF MEETING

**DATE: 2/13/19** 

The meeting was opened, and the following attendance was noted:

Name	Representing	Present	Absent
Mike Heinen	J.D. Tourist Commission	X	
Beau Hearod	Jennings		х
Tony Hulsey, Vice-Chairman	Jennings	X	
Joel Oustalet	J.D. Tourist Commission		х
Ronnie Petree, Chairman	Welsh	Х	
Jay Theunissen, Secretary/Treasurer	Jennings	х	
Marilyn Watkins	J.D. Tourist Commission		х
Rick Arceneaux	Attorney		x
Mayor Henry Guinn	City of Jennings	Х	
Marion Fox	President/CEO	X	
Dione Sabelhaus	EDC Office		l x

**Guest Present:** Kirk Credur, Jimmy Segura with Jeff Davis School Board.

<u>Call to Order</u> ~ *Chairman Petree called* the meeting to order at 8:00am.

<u>Approval of Agenda:</u> A motion was made by Jay Theunissen, seconded by Tony Hulsey and passed unanimously to approve the agenda of February 13, 2019.

**<u>Prayer and Pledge:</u>** Ronnie Petree led the prayer and Mike Heinen led the pledge.

Approval of Minutes: A motion was made by Jay Theunissen, seconded by Tony Hulsey and passed unanimously to approve the minutes of February 13, 2018.

Approval of Financials: A motion was made by Tony Hulsey, seconded by Mike Heinen and passed unanimously to approve the financials ending December 31, 2018.

**Public Comments: N/A** 

<u>Old Business:</u> Chairman Petree thanked the Economic Development board for the support of the PILOT program.

GIS – Marion and Mayor Guinn will attend the Jeff Davis School Board meeting January 17 to discuss GIS with the board members.

New Business: Mr. Jimmy Segura with Jeff Davis School Board stated "in six weeks there will be an election for building a new elementary school on the ballot. We had a bond issue for the elementary school in 1995 at the time the board identify elementary school as our biggest need it failed 60/40. We had to get much more community involvement and the chamber was very much involved. What the people wanted was a high school. With the foresight of Cliff Freidman, Bill Hebert and a lot more on the board. The Board decided to go with a new high School. The plan was and stated we could pay the debt down within 10 to 15 years and go back to the voters to renew that bond and half cent sales tax and build an elementary school. Rita hit and construction cost went up and the bond market didn't do as well. Our bond attorney at the time did a good job. We fill like within a 17 to 18-year period you can have all students in Jennings in new schools. This has been on the burner since we built the high school to come back to the voters. We are going to ask the voters to say

yes to a new school that will house K thru sixth without adding any taxes. Same ½ cent sales tax which we will extend past the date that it is set to expire. This bond issue it was 24 mil. That debt about paid down so we can go back to the voters. Start collecting money for the new elementary school. The site selected through a lot of discussion there is a piece of property owned by Dan Donald."

Adjournment: A motion was made by Tony Hulsey, seconded by Jay Theunissen and passed unanimously to adjourn.

I, Marion Fox, certify that the above and foregoing constitute the minutes of the first meeting of the commissioners of the Jeff Davis Parish Economic Development Commission held on

April 10, 2019.

MARION FOX, PRESIDENT/CEO

## JEFF DAVIS PARISH ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION (JDPEDC) MINUTES OF MEETING

**DATE:** 5/08/19

The meeting was opened, and the following attendance was noted:

Name	Representing	Present	Absent
Mike Heinen	J.D. Tourist Commission	X	
Beau Hearod	Jennings	X	
Tony Hulsey, Vice-Chairman	Jennings	X	
Joel Oustalet	J.D. Tourist Commission	X	
Ronnie Petree, Chairman	Welsh	X	
Jay Theunissen, Secretary/Treasurer	Jennings	x	
Marilyn Watkins	J.D. Tourist Commission		х
Rick Arceneaux	Attorney		x
Mayor Henry Guinn	City of Jennings	X	
Marion Fox	President/CEO	X	
Linda LeBlanc	EDC Office	Х	

Guest Present: Zach Hager with One Acadiana and Senator Jerry Theunissen

<u>Call to Order</u> ~ *Chairman Petree called* the meeting to order at 8:06am.

Approval of Agenda: A motion was made by Joel Oustalet, seconded by Mike Heinen and passed unanimously to approve the agenda of May 8, 2019.

Prayer and Pledge: Tony Hulsey led the prayer and Joel Oustalet led the pledge.

Approval of Minutes: A motion was made by Beau Hearod, seconded by Jay Theunissen and passed unanimously to approve the minutes of April 10, 2019.

Approval of Financials: A motion was made by Mike Heinen, seconded by Joel Oustalet and passed unanimously to approve the financials ending March 31, 2019.

**Public Comments:** Marion informed the board that Mr. Bobby Palermo's funeral was at 1pm.

<u>Old Business:</u> The Industrial Board met to discuss the lease agreement with Rail Logix. The property that was donated to the Industrial Board did not have a right of way to be able to allow Lacassine Operating Co. to utilize rail service. The Industrial Board moved the amendment favorably.

Lacassine Operating Company presented ITEP to the Jeff Davis Parish Police Jury.

The board was reminded that their Financial Disclosure Statement for 2018 is due May 15, 2018.

New Business: A motion was made by Mike Heinen, seconded by Joel Oustalet and passed unanimously to approve the amendment for December 10, 2018 minutes for GIS. Year 1 Economic Development Board agrees to pay \$16,754.00 and Year 2 and 3 cost of \$2,625.00.

A motion was made by Beau Hearod, seconded by Mike Heinen and passed unanimously to approve the amendment for February 13, 2019 minutes. Approval for February 13, 2019 not February 13, 2018.

<u>Committee Reports:</u> Mike Heinen stated that the Jeff Davis Police Jury does not have a website. Inquiries brings you to the Jeff Davis Parish Economic Development website.

Adjournment: A motion was made by Joel Oustalet, seconded by Beau Hearod and passed unanimously to adjourn.

I, Marion Fox, certify that the above and foregoing constitute the minutes of the first meeting of the commissioners of the Jeff Davis Parish Economic Development Commission held on May 8, 2019.

MARION FOX, PRESIDENT/CEO