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

DATE: 12/09/2020

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

Name	Representing	Present	Absent
Mike Heinen	J.D. Tourist Commission	a a a man	x
Beau Hearod	Jennings	X	
Tony Hulsey, Vice-Chairman	Jennings	X	
Joel Oustalet	J.D. Tourist Commission	X	
Ronnie Petree, Chairman	Welsh	Х	114
Jay Theunissen, Secretary/Treasurer	Jennings	Х	
Marilyn Watkins	J.D. Tourist Commission	X	
Rick Arceneaux	Attorney		X
Greg Marcantel	Accountant	X	
Angel M. Scott	EDC	Х	
Mayor Henry Guinn	City of Jennings	Х	2 , 2
Jerry Theunissen, Advisory	Jeff Davis Parish	х	
Zach Hager, Guest	One Acadiana	X	1 4
Creed Romano, Guest	Entergy	Х	

Roll Call: Motion to accept by Tony Hulsey and seconded by Beau Hearod.

Guest Present: Zach Hager with One Acadiana, Creed Romano with Entergy.

Prayer and Pledge: Ronnie Petree said the prayer and Ronnie Petree led the Pledge.

Call to Order: Chairman Petree called the meeting to order at Noon.

<u>Approval of Agenda</u>: A motion was made by Marilyn Watkins, seconded by Joel Oustalet, and passed unanimously to approve the agenda of December 10, 2020.

Approval of Minutes: A motion was made by Tony Hulsey and seconded by Marilyn Watkins and passed unanimously to approve the minutes for October 2020.

<u>Approval of Financials</u>: Jay Theunissen state all finances looked good and were as expected. He asked Greg Marcantel to expand the financial reports discussion. Greg stated that all things were in order. A motion was made by Joel Oustalet, seconded by Tony Hulsey, and passed unanimously to approve the financials ending August, September and October 2020.

Public Comments: None

Old Business: None

New Business: Ronnie Petree gave words of tribute in honor of Marion Fox and her dedicated service to Jefferson Davis Parish and surrounding areas. Greg Marcantel presented letters of engagement for his firm and for Audit 2020 for Aaron Cooper. A motion was made by Beau Hearod, seconded by Marilyn Watkins to accept Greg Marcantel's letter of engagement, and passed unanimously. A motion was made by Joel Oustalet and seconded by Jay Theunissen to accept Aaron Cooper's letter of engagement and it passed unanimously. Presentation of letters to reappoint Mike Heinen and Tony Hulsey were presented. A motion was made by Marilyn Watkins and seconded by Beau Hearod and passed unanimously. Joint Service Agreements were presented by Greg Marcantel and stated that they are as before with no changes for Economic Development, Tourist Commission & Chamber of Commerce, Economic Development & Tourist Commission, and Economic Development & Jeff Davis Landfill. A motion was made by Beau Hearod and seconded by Joel Oustalet and passed unanimously. Ronnie Petree presented a resolution for updating bank signatures for Economic Development. Agreements were presented to leave Ronnie Petree and Tony

Hulsey as signers and to add Beau Hearod and Angel Scott as signers. A motion was made by Joel to accept and seconded by Beau Hearod. This motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Beau Heard to enter executive session and a second was offered by Joel Oustalet, this motion passed unanimously.

<u>Executive Session:</u> Ronnie Petree called the Executive session to order. Ronnie Petree presented a need to appoint an Interim Director into position for 90 days with intent to structure a search for a replacement for the CEO/President of all entities. Greg Marcantel has agreed to hold the position for 90 days at an hourly rate with a cap of \$2000 per month. A motion to accept was presented by Joel Oustalet and seconded by Beau Hearod. This motion passes unanimously.

<u>Adjournment:</u> A motion to adjourn was made by Joel Oustalet, seconded by Tony Hulsey, and passed unanimously.

I, Ronnie Petree 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 December 10, 2020.

Ronnie Petree