

**JEFF DAVIS PARISH
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION (JDPEDC)
MINUTES OF MEETING
DATE: 7/10/19**

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	X	
Rick Arceneaux	Attorney	X	
Mayor Henry Guinn	City of Jennings	X	
Marion Fox	President/CEO	X	
Tracie Fontenot	EDC Office	X	

Guest Present: Zach Hager with One Acadiana, Senator Jerry Theunissen, Jim Wright

Call to Order ~ *Chairman Petree called* the meeting to order at 8:02am.

Approval of Agenda: *A motion was made by Marilyn Watkins, seconded by Mike Heinen and passed unanimously* to approve the agenda of July 10, 2019.

Prayer and Pledge: *Tony Hulsey* led the prayer and *Senator Jerry Theunissen* led the pledge.

Approval of Minutes: *A motion was made by Joel Oustalet, seconded by Mike Heinen and passed unanimously* to approve *the minutes of June 12, 2019.*

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

Public Comments: N/A

Old Business: Industrial Board ~ The board is still moving forward on several projects. Butch and I met with Commissioner Strain, Rene Simon and Rail Logic on a proposal to create a Master Plan for the Lacassine park including lease prices and agreements. Working on simplifying ITEP applications for manufacturers: Economic Development will vet the project and have an economic analysis done and present findings to the Industrial Board. The Industrial Board would make a recommendation to the Jury, School Board and Sheriff.

Lacassine Operating Company ~ project is moving forward, geo tech completed. There are going to try to finish building in seven months. We are getting resumes from people in the parish and sending direct to their Houston office. They will hire as many local people as they can. We keep a copy in the office also.

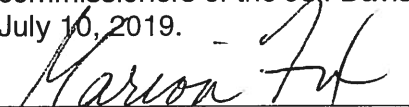
Bayou Rum Incentives ~ This evening they go before the Police Jury and their consultant, Marion and Jeff Murphy will be there.

New Business: Heaven Made Products, Michael Pitre, local from Jeff Davis Parish would like to re-locate his facility to the Parish, he is looking for a 10,000sq ft. We are checking around the parish for buildings. There is

a gentleman that would like to put a truck stop on Highway 165. We are setting up a meeting with DOTD to discuss the plans.

Adjournment: A motion was made by Marilyn Watkins, seconded by Joel Oustalet 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 July 10, 2019.


MARION FOX, PRESIDENT/CEO