

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION (JDPEDC)
MINUTES OF MEETING
Wednesday, December 21, 2022 at Noon, First Guaranty Bank**

The meeting was opened and the following attendance was noted:

Name	Standing for	Present	Absent
Creed Romano, CEO/President	Jeff Davis Economic Development	X	
Mike Heinen	J.D. Tourist Commission	x	
Beau Hearod	Jennings	X	
Tony Hulse, Vice-Chairman	Jennings	X	
Judy Petry	JD Tourist Commission		X
Ronnie Petree, Chairman	Welsh	X	
Jay Theunissen, Secretary/Treasurer	Jennings		x
Marilyn Watkins	JD Tourist Commission		x
Rick Arceneaux	Attorney		x
Greg Marcantel	CPA	x	
Mayor Henry Guinn, Advisory	City of Jennings	X	
Charlie Butler	EDC Advisory Board		X
Senator Jerry Theunissen	EDC Advisory Board	x	
Dr. Shane Fontenot	EDC Advisory Board	X	
Jim Wright	EDC Advisory Board		X
Alex Guillory, Guest	Blue Wing Engineering	X	
Jim Bourgeois, Guest	Entergy	x	
Woody Daigle, Guest	Senator John Kennedy's Office		x
Kaitlyn Little, Guest	City of Jennings	X	
Randy Whetstine, Facilitator	Jeff Davis Economic Development	X	

Call to Order: *Chairman Ronnie Petree called the meeting to order.*

Prayer and Pledge: Tony Hulse led the prayer, and Senator Jerry Theunissen led the pledge of allegiance.

Approval of Agenda: December agenda was approved with a motion from Tony Hulse seconded by Beau Hearod and passed unanimously.

Approval of Minutes: September 2022 minutes were approved with a motion from Beau Hearod, seconded by Tony Hulse, and passed unanimously.

Approval of Financials: August, September, and October 2022 financial reports were approved with a motion by Tony Hulse, seconded by Mike Heinen, and passed unanimously.

Public Comments: None

Old Business:

Creed Romano on the LA 26-Benoit Property, waiting on the "Notice to Proceed" from one heir.

New Business:

Greg Marcantel brought before the Board:

1. A renewal of the Cooperative Endeavor Agreement between the Landfill and Economic Development was approved with a motion from **Tony Hulsey**, seconded by **Beau Hearod**, and passed **unanimously**.
2. A renewal of the Cooperative Endeavor Agreement between Economic Development and the Tourist Commission was approved with a motion from **Mike Heinen**, seconded by **Beau Hearod**, and passed **unanimously**.
3. A renewal of the Cooperative Endeavor Agreement between Economic Development, the Tourist Commission, and the Chamber of Commerce was approved with a motion from **Tony Hulsey**, seconded by **Beau Hearod**, and passed **unanimously**.
4. A renewal of the contract between EDC and Greg Marcantel, CPA, was approved with a motion made by **Mike Heinen**, seconded by **Beau Hearod**, and passed **unanimously**.

Mayor Guinn introduced the City of Jennings's new event coordinator, Kaitlynn Little, and updated city projects.

Motion to Adjourn: **Beau Hearod**, second by **Tony Hulsey**.

I, Creed Romano, certify that the above and foregoing constitute the minutes of the meeting of the commissioners of the Jeff Davis Parish Economic Development Commission held on December 21, 2022.


Creed Romano, CEO/President