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

**DATE: 10/04/17** 

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	Jennings	х	
Joel Oustalet	J.D. Tourist Commission		X
Ronnie Petree, Chairman	Welsh	х	
Jay Theunissen	Jennings		х
Marilyn Watkins	J.D. Tourist Commission		х
Charlie Butler	J.D. Advisory Board		X
Jimmy Cormier	J.D. Advisory Board		х
Tom Couste	J.D. Advisory Board		Х
Jim Wright	J.D. Advisory Board		Х
Dr. Shane Fontenot	J.D. Advisory Board	X	
Pat Hanley, Jr.	J.D. Advisory Board		х
Senator Jerry Theunissen	J.D. Advisory Board		х
Dr. Ben Sabbaghain	J.D. Advisory Board		X
Rick Arceneaux	Attorney	x	
Marion Fox	President/CEO	x	
acie Fontenot	EDC Office	X	

<u>Guest Present</u>: Mayor Henry Guinn with the City of Jennings, Dr. & Mrs. Robert Maggard and Kayla Maggard with ULL.

Call to Order ~ Chairman Petree called the meeting to order.

<u>Approval of Agenda:</u> A motion was made by Mike Heinen, seconded by Beau Hearod and passed unanimously to approve the agenda of October 4, 2017.

**Prayer and Pledge:** *Mike Heinen* led the prayer and *Tony Hulsey* led the pledge.

Approval of Minutes A motion was made by Beau Hearod and seconded by Mike Heinen and passed unanimously to approve the minutes of August 9, 2017.

Approval of Financials A motion was made by Tony Hulsey and seconded by Mike Heinen and passed unanimously to approve the financials ending June 30, 2017 with the corrected line item and approved the financials ending July 31, 2017. Refer to August 9, 2017 minutes for accounting error.

**Public Comments: None** 

Old Business: GIS update ~ Ronnie Petree, Mike Heinen & Marion met with Mr. Donald Woods to discuss GIS. The investors are the City of Jennings, Town of Lake Arthur, Town of Welsh, D.A.s office, Jeff Davis Sheriff's office, and the Jeff Davis Economic Development office. The tax assessor will provide the full time IS staffer and computers for the program.

Gator Chateau update ~ No update

New Business: Dr. Robert Maggard updated the board of directors on the progress of University of Louisiana at Lafayette. ULL would like to have an economic impact study of the athletics department to better educate people on that end of which we can help the state and the city of Lafayette and the Acadian region. Dr. Maggard spoke about the programs of ULL that are moving forward and the impact the University as on the region.

The board of directors were given a flyer about Constitutional Amendment #1.

Advisory Board: A motion was made by Tony Hulsey and seconded by Beau Hearod and passed unanimously to appoint Will Guinn to the Economic Development Advisory Board.

Adjournment: A motion was made by Beau Hearod, seconded by Tony Hulsey 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 October/4, 2017.

MARION FOX, PRESIDENT/CEC