Minutes

Columbus Community and Industrial Development Corporation **Directors Board Meeting**

The Columbus Community & Industrial Development Corporation met in Regular session on Monday, July 18, 2011 at 6:30 pm, in the Council Chambers of City Hall located at 605 Spring Street, Columbus, Texas. The following CCIDC Members were present:

President Lori An Gobert President Elect Steve Woodall Secretary _ Elizabeth Flint Board Member **Curtiss Schonenberg** Board Member James Weishuhn

Board Member

- John Mau
- Donald Warschak City Manager City Secretary

Absent: Treasurer Matt Sprague

1) Call to Order.

President, Lori An Gobert, called the CCIDC meeting to order at 6:32 pm.

2) Pledge and Invocation.

President, Lori An Gobert, led the Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation.

3) Consent Agenda

- a) Approval of meeting minutes June 20, 2011.
- b) Approval of invoices.
- c) Approval of June 2011 financial statements.
- d) Approval of Investment Report for Quarter Ending June 30, 2011.

Curtiss Schonenberg made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Steve Woodall seconded the motion. The vote was as follows:

Ayes: Gobert, Woodall, Flint, Schonenberg and Weishuhn

The motion passed.

4) Citizen Comments.

There were no citizen comments.

5) City Manager's Report.

City Manager, Donald Warschak, reported that sales tax received in July 2011 was \$27,454.44 compared to \$26,036.06 received in July 2010.

Board Member John Mau arrived at 6:37pm.

6) Executive Session: In accordance with Texas Government Code, Subchapter D, Section 551.072 deliberations about real property.

At 6:38pm. Lori An Gobert closed the regular session and opened the executive session.

7) Reconvene into Regular Session and consideration and action, if any, regarding Executive Session, deliberations about real property.

At 7:10pm. Lori An Gobert reconvened the regular session with the same members present as before.

Curtiss Schonenberg made a motion to authorize Lori An Gobert to discuss the real estate item as presented in executive session. Steve Woodall seconded the motion. The vote was as follows:

Ayes: Gobert, Woodall, Mau, Flint, Schonenberg and Weishuhn

The motion passed.

8) <u>Discussion and action on clearing a portion of the 54 acres on the north side of the Industrial Park.</u>

Curtiss Schonenberg said that he asked for the item to be placed on the agenda because the property is not marketable as it is, but that the clearing may not be necessary.

Elizabeth Flint made a motion to table the motion. John Mau seconded the motion. The vote was as follows:

Ayes: Gobert, Woodall, Sprague, Flint, Schonenberg and Weishuhn

The motion passed.

9) <u>Discussion and Action on painting of Logo on Industrial Park water tower.</u>

Donald Warschak told the Board that the water tower at the Industrial Park will be repainted soon. Currently it has the Texas Crossroads Logo and phone number on it. He asked if they would like to have the Logo/website/current phone number repainted. The cost will be approximately \$2,000. Lori An Gobert said that she personally does not like the Logo and would like to see just the text and the website.

Elizabeth Flint made a motion to paint Texas Crossroads Industrial Park in black letters and the website in red letters on the Industrial Park water tower. Steve Woodall seconded the motion. The vote was as follows:

Ayes: Gobert, Woodall, Sprague, Flint, Schonenberg and Weishuhn

The motion passed.

10) <u>Discussion and Action in regards to prospective company interested in locating in the Industrial Park.</u>

Donald Warschak told the Board that a Southwest Rail Industries is interested in the Industrial Park as a potential site for expanding their business to do repairs on rail cars. He said they are interested in 30 acres. He also explained that the cars to be cleaned could contain chemicals and that the potential for job creation would be less than ten to begin with. Curtiss Schonenberg said that he would like to have more detail. James Weishuhn inquired about sales tax revenue and explained that the permitting process for that type of operation would be pretty difficult. Donald said that he would contact the company and ask them for a copy of their business plan and invite them to attend a future CCIDC meeting.

Curtiss Schonenberg made a motion to take no action on the item. Steve Woodall seconded the motion. The vote was as follows:

Ayes: Gobert, Woodall, Sprague, Flint, Schonenberg and Weishuhn

The motion passed.

11) <u>Discussion and Action if necessary on CB Richard Ellis monthly report of marketing of Industrial Park.</u>

Lori An Gobert told the Board that she had nothing to report. She told them that the contract with CB Richard Ellis would expire on September 10th.

No action was taken.

12) Discussion of items to be placed on future agendas.

Items to be placed on future agendas included:
Renegotiating the contract with CB Richard Ellis
4B Grant Process
2011-2012 Budget
Mowing Contract

13) Adjourn.

President, Lori An Gobert, adjourned the meeting at 7:35 pm.

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