

Minutes

Columbus Community and Industrial Development Corporation Board of Directors Meeting

The Columbus Community & Industrial Development Corporation met in Regular session on Monday, **December 19, 2011** at 6:30 p.m., 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
Treasurer	-	Matt Sprague (absent)
Secretary	-	Elizabeth Flint
Board Member	-	John Mau (absent)
Board Member	-	Curtiss Schonenberg
Board Member	-	James Weishuhn
City Manager	-	Donald Warschak
City Secretary	-	Linda Lakich
Assistant City Secretary	-	Kayla Duncan

1. **Call to Order.**

President, Lori An Gobert, called the CCIDC meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

2. **Pledge and Invocation.**

The Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation were led by Lori An Gobert

3. **Consent Agenda**

- a. **Approval of invoices.**
- b. **Approval of November 2011 financial statements.**

Curtiss Schonenberg made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented. Elizabeth Flint 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: Sales Tax.**

City Manager, Donald Warschak, reported that December 2011 sales tax received was \$22,158.98 compared to \$24,809.15 last year at the same time. He also reported that San Antonio, Houston, and Austin all showed increases in their sales tax, while Dallas remained relatively flat. He reported that Colorado County, Weimar, and Eagle Lake also saw an increase in their sales tax.

6. **Elect Officers for 2012 CCIDC Board.**

Lori An Gobert stated that the official positions are President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer. She also stated that she missed the discussion last time so she did not know where the board was and asked if the board had any nominations. James Weishuhn said "No," they did not have any nominations. Curtiss Schonenberg stated that they tabled the item because they just had one over a quorum. Lori An Gobert stated that

John Mau is obviously taken away a fair amount, as is Matt Sprague, with business so the viable candidates are sitting before them. Elizabeth Flint stated that she would like to nominate Curtiss Schonenberg to be President. She then asked Mr. Schonenberg if he would be willing to accept. Mr. Schonenberg stated that the only reason he dropped out last time was because of the time issue. Lori An Gobert stated that they don't see that as an obstacle. Mr. Schonenberg agreed that time was not a problem any more. Lori An Gobert asked Elizabeth Flint what she was serving as. Ms. Flint stated that she was Secretary and that she would do that again if the board would like her to. Lori An Gobert asked James Weishuhn if he would like to serve and stated that Vice-President and Treasurer were left. Steve Woodall stated that Mr. Weishuhn needs to be "V-P". In response, Mr. Weishuhn said, "Sure". Steve Woodall stated that Matt Sprague should remain as the treasurer. Lori An Gobert stated that she would entertain a motion.

Libby Flint asked if there were any other nominations. Lori An Gobert stated that she thought the current nominations were good and they should "hurry up and vote on this before someone changes their mind". Steve Woodall asked Elizabeth Flint to make the nomination.

Elizabeth Flint stated, "if there are no other nominations" and then made a motion to nominate Curtiss Schonenberg for President, James Weishuhn for Vice-President, Matt Sprague to continue as Treasurer, and Elizabeth Flint to continue her term as Secretary. Steve Woodall seconded the motion. Lori An Gobert stated that she had a first and a second and asked if there were any other nominations or discussion. There was no other discussion. The vote was as follows:

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

The motion passed.

Lori An Gobert turned the meeting over to the new President, Curtiss Schonenberg.

7. Discussion and Action to award bid for grazing lease at Industrial Park.

City Manager, Donald Warschak, stated that four bid packets had been picked up, but no bids had been received. A discussion took place over the possible reasons why no bids had been submitted. Curtiss Schonenberg recommended that the grazing lease be placed on the agenda at the next meeting for further discussion and updates.

No action was taken.

8. Discussion and Action regarding Kerry R. Gilbert study.

Steve Woodall stated a public forum would be held January 19, 2011 at 5:30 p.m. at the Opera House. He stated that he would like people living in the current historical district to come and put their "two-cents" in.

Curtiss Schonenberg asked Steve Woodall who is on the committee. Steve Woodall stated that it consisted of himself, Nancy Stiles, Roger Wade, Laura Ann Rau, Charlotte Tiolatta, and one other person.

Curtiss Schonenberg asked Donald Warschak what is happening with the Housing Committee's Gateway Project. Donald Warschak stated that their next meeting is January 11, 2011. Lori An Gobert stated that they sent out an email stating that the Board had declined their grant application and that the Board would like more information, which they are going to work on getting. Donald Warschak stated that he had talked to TxDOT about the proposed archways at the gateways and the necessary support structures. He

also stated that TxDOT did not see the traffic circle being a feasible project with the variety of traffic that is located in that intersection. With respect to the proposed archways Donald Warschak stated that TxDOT requested simple preliminary drawings to show the clearances of the archways so that they could send it on for further review. Easement issues with the archways were also discussed.

Curtiss Schonenberg encouraged the Board to attend those meetings.

No action was taken.

9. Discussion and Action regarding KW International.

Lori An Gobert and Donald Warschak both stated that they had no new updates. Lori An Gobert stated that they probably would not hear anything new from them until the end of January or February and discussed a probable timeline for KW International to start turning things in so they can start construction next year.

No action was taken.

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

At 6:50 p.m. Curtiss Schonenberg closed the regular session and opened the executive session.

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

At 7:18 p.m. Curtiss Schonenberg reconvened the regular session.

Lori An Gobert made a motion to ask the City to draft a letter similar to CCIDC's most recent tenant and send it to the prospect. Steve Woodall seconded the motion. The vote was as follows:

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

The motion passed.

12. Discussion and Action to reschedule the January 2012 meeting.

Lori An Gobert asked if anyone had a preference. She later stated that last year it was moved back a week.

James Weishuhn made a motion to move the January 2012 meeting from the 16th to the 23rd. Lori An Gobert seconded the motion. The vote was as follows:

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

The motion passed.

13. Discussion of items to be placed on future agendas.

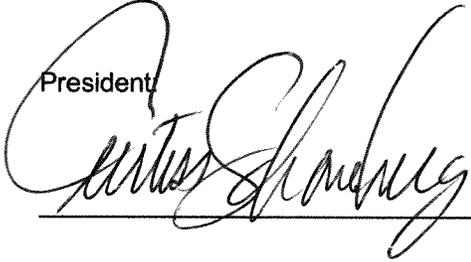
Items to be placed on future agendas included:

Curtiss Schonenberg – Requested that the grazing lease remained an agenda item for the next meeting. He also stated that Brushline Dozer Works will not be able to get on sight until after the new year for clearing.

James Weishuhn – Regarding the billboards, he stated that he had spoke with several people, but had reached a dead end. Lori An Gobert suggested that it be placed on the agenda with her item as marketing of the Industrial Park.
Elizabeth Flint – None.
Lori An Gobert – Redesigning marketing materials, website and brochures.
Steve Woodall – None.

14. Adjourn.

President, Curtiss Schonenberg, adjourned the meeting at 7:21 p.m.

President


Attest
Secretary: