

Minutes
Columbus Community and Industrial Development Corporation
Directors Board Meeting

The Columbus Community & Industrial Development Corporation met in Regular session on Monday, **April 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 Elect	-	Steve Woodall
Treasurer	-	Matt Sprague
Secretary	-	Elizabeth Flint
Board Member	-	Curtiss Schonenberg
City Manager	-	Donald Warschak
City Secretary	-	Cathy Ezell

Absent: President Lori An Gobert, Board Member James Weishuhn, and Board Member John Mau.

1) Call to Order.

President Elect Woodall called the CCIDC meeting to order at 6:32 pm.

2) Pledge and Invocation.

President Elect Steve Woodall led the Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation.

3) Consent Agenda

- a) **Approval of meeting minutes March 21, 2011.**
- b) **Approval of invoices.**
- c) **Approval of March 2011 financial statements.**
- d) **Approval of Investment Report for Quarter Ended March 31, 2011.**

After clarification on some invoices, Mr. Schonenberg made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Mr. Sprague seconded the motion.

Ayes: Flint, Sprague, Woodall, Schonenberg

The motion passed.

4) Citizen Comments.

There were no citizen comments.

5) City Manager's Report.

City Manager, Donald Warschak stated that the sales tax was up again this month. He stated that CCIDC received \$22,820.02 for the month of April and for the same time period last year CCIDC received \$22,132.33. He then went over the comparisons of the four largest cities in the state and the comparisons of the neighboring cities.

6) Hear presentations from Retail Coach and Catalyst on completing a retail study.

Aaron Farmer with Retail Coach gave a presentation on the services that his company provides.

John Baldwin with Catalyst gave a presentation on the services that his company provides.

7) **Review, discussion and take action as necessary on the Kerry R. Gilbert and Associates project.**

City Secretary, Cathy Ezell stated that she had spoken to President Gobert and that President Gobert stated that the project was ninety-eight percent (98%) complete. Cathy Ezell stated that Kerry Gilbert wanted to have at least one more meeting with staff before finalizing the project.

8) **Review, discussion and take action as necessary on the issue of wild hogs at the Industrial Park.**

Utility Supervisor, Jody Ripper stated that there is an issue with wild hogs at the Industrial Park. He stated that he did not want the hogs to damage the sewer plant. Mr. Sprague asked if the hogs could just be trapped. City Manager, Donald Warschak stated that he needed to get with Animal Control Officer, Butch Schmidt, Texas Parks and Wild Life and the Game Warden to see how to address the issue.

Jody Ripper stated the hogs are destroying the area. Ms. Flint asked what it is that he wanted to protect. Jody Ripper stated that he wanted to protect the sewer plant.

Mr. Schonenberg made a motion to turn the issue of the wild hogs over to City Manager, Donald Warschak and give permission to go onto CCIDC property to take care of the issue. Matt Sprague seconded the motion.

Ayes: Flint, Sprague, Woodall, Schonenberg

The motion passed.

9) **Review, discussion and take action as necessary on CB Richard Ellis monthly report of marketing of Industrial Park.**

City Secretary, Cathy Ezell stated that she has spoken to President Gobert and that she stated that there was still the one company interested in the Industrial Park. Mr. Woodall stated that the President of the company was supposed to come down to look at the property. Mr. Schonenberg stated that they had a forty-five (45) minute meeting with the Land Manager for the company.

Mr. Schonenberg stated that he and City Manager, Donald Warschak met with another individual who was interested in moving his tire processing business to this area.

10) **Discuss items to be placed on future agendas.**

There were no items.

11) **Adjourn**

President Elect Woodall adjourned the meeting at 8:12 p.m.

President:

Jon A. Gilbert

Attest
Secretary:

EB Flint
