

Minutes

Columbus Community and Industrial Development Corporation Directors Board Meeting

The Columbus Community & Industrial Development Corporation met in Regular session on Monday, **August 15, 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 (arrived at 6:32)
Board Member	-	Curtiss Schonenberg
Board Member	-	James Weishuhn
City Manager	-	Donald Warschak
City Secretary	-	Linda Lakich

Absent: Secretary, Elizabeth Flint, Member, John Mau

1) **Call to Order.**

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

2) **Pledge and Invocation.**

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

3) **Consent Agenda**

a) **Approval of meeting minutes July 18, 2011**

b) **Approval of special meeting minutes August 3, 2011**

c) **Approval of invoices**

d) **Approval of July 2011 financial statements**

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

Ayes: Gobert, Woodall, Sprague, Schonenberg and Weishuhn

Absent: Flint and Mau

The motion passed.

4) **Citizen Comments.**

Douglas Kamenski introduced himself and said that he would be opening a general automotive repair shop at 1005 Houston Street on October 3rd.

5) **City Manager's Report.**

City Manager, Donald Warschak, reported that sales tax received in August 2011 was \$38,510.11 compared to \$34,004.63 received in August 2010.

6) **Discussion and Action if necessary on CB Richard Ellis monthly report of marketing of Industrial Park.**

Lori An Gobert said that there have been several inquiries with Frito Lay being the most notable, but that there was nothing new in the last month.

No action was taken.

7) **Discussion and Action regarding the contract with CB Richard Ellis for marketing of the Industrial Park.**

Lori An Gobert told the Board that the contract expires on September 30th. A discussion followed with board members expressing their concerns about the performance of CB Richard Ellis in marketing the Industrial Park. The possibility of taking six months without renewing the contract to see if any interested parties can be brought in locally was discussed.

James Weishuhn made a motion to let the contract lapse. Curtiss Schonenberg seconded the motion. The vote was as follows:

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

The motion passed.

8) Discussion and Action regarding the Industrial Park Maintenance Contract.

Lori An Gobert pointed out that there will be less land to maintain now that the KWI tract is sold. Curtiss Schonenberg said that the Board has an obligation to keep the empty lots clean and that he would like to have the 56 acres in lots A, B, and D cleared. The yearly maintenance contract will be put on the agenda in October.

James Weishuhn made a motion to authorize management to advertise for bids for additional maintenance and clearing of the acreage discussed and to then advertise for maintenance at a later date. Curtiss Schonenberg seconded the motion. The vote was as follows:

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

The motion passed.

9) Discussion and Action if necessary regarding the 2011-2012 4B Grant Process.

Matt Sprague said that since revenues are going up that he would like to budget more. Lori An Gobert read a list of those who have received grants in the past. She raised the possibility of funding a scrolling sign with highway exposure to advertise various events in Columbus.

No action was taken.

10) Discussion and Action regarding 2011-2012 Budget.

A discussion took place concerning the current budget, and the Board members talked about what they would like to see on next year's budget.

A propose Budget will be presented at the next regular meeting.

No action was taken.

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

Items to be placed on future agendas included:

James Weishuhn will look into the subjects of lighting and billboards.

13) Adjourn.

President, Lori An Gobert, adjourned the meeting at 8:07 p.m.

President:



Attest
Secretary:


