

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

The Columbus Community & Industrial Development Corporation met in Regular session on Monday, March 16, 2020, at 5:30 p.m., in the Council Chambers of City Hall located at 605 Spring Street, Columbus, Texas. The following CCIDC Members were present:

President	-	Bruce Tesch (Absent)
Vice President	-	Andy Nunmaker
Treasurer	-	Dwain Dungen
Secretary	-	Larry Solansky (Absent)
Board Member	-	Daniel Pore (Absent)
Board Member	-	Chuck Hall
Board Member	-	Michael Ridlen
City Manager	-	Donald Warschak
Assistant City Secretary	-	Dinah Jacobs

**1. Call to Order.**

Vice President Andy Nunmaker called the CCIDC meeting to order at 5:33 p.m.

**2. Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation.**

The Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation were led by Vice President Nunmaker.

**3. Consent Agenda:**

- a) Approval of Invoices.
- b) Approval of February 2020 Financial Statements.
- c) Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes for February 17, 2020.

Dwain Dungen made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented. Michael Ridlen seconded the motion. The vote was as follows:

Ayes: Nunmaker, Dungen, Hall, and Ridlen

The motion passed.

**4. Citizens' Presentations and Comments.**

Mayor Lori An Gobert addressed the board concerning a call that Judge Prause received regarding the hot mix plant. There was community outcry about possible flooding. The hot mix plant has agreed to halt work for two weeks; as well as proposing an agreement for drainage work to be done – they would provide heavy equipment and labor and the city provide materials. Gobert stated there was lost potential, but this agreement could be a secondary potential benefit of getting good drainage at the industrial park. There is a meeting scheduled on Monday, March 23<sup>rd</sup> at 9am. Gobert suggested this be a future agenda and budget item for CCIDC.

**5. City Manager's Report: Sales Tax.**

City Manager, Donald Warschak, gave the report on sales tax, stating sales tax was up about \$6,000 compared to this time period last year. The sales tax portion for CCIDC was \$42,045 compared to \$36,817 last year. Warschak stated the City of Weimar saw a decrease, while the City of Eagle Lake and the county each saw increases.

**6. Discussion and Action, if necessary, to approve the Mowing Contract for 2020-2021.**

The mowing contract is for mowing four times a year out at the industrial park. Two bids were received: one from Maertz for \$6,800 and one from Brushline for \$6,000. Brushline is the current contract holder. Last year the contract was for \$1,100/cut. Chuck Hall questioned if Brushline had done a good job this past year. Warschak stated yes. Dwain Dungen mentioned both were familiar with the site as Maertz had received the contract in prior years.

Dwain Dungen made a motion to approve Brushline's proposal and award him with the contract. Michael Ridlen seconded the motion. The vote was as follows:

Ayes: Nunmaker, Dungen, Hall, and Ridlen

The motion passed.

**7. Discussion and Action, if necessary, regarding the Great Southern Wood Tenant Application.**

Nunmaker stated that no one has heard back from Great Southern at this time. Dungen questioned a secondary entrance being cut at Great Southern. Warschak stated it was a temporary entrance from building to building back there and if they want to make it permanent, they would have to obtain city approval.

**8. Discussion and Action, if necessary, regarding any prospective companies interested in land at the Crossroads Business Park.**

Nunmaker stated Acornseekers had been in contact. There is a new CEO wanting to make contact and update the board. There is a meeting planned this week. The new CEO is in Spain, we are here. He is persistent and even suggesting a video conference. He will be back in touch to schedule a meeting.

**9. Executive Session: In accordance with Texas Government Code, Subchapter D, Section 551.071 consultations with attorney, Subchapter D, Section 551.072 deliberation regarding real property and Section 551.087 deliberation regarding economic development.**

This item was not needed.

**10. Reconvene into Regular Session and Consideration and Action, if any, regarding Executive Session, deliberations regarding real property and economic development.**

This item was not needed.

**11. Discussion of items to be placed on future agendas and announcements.<sup>2</sup>**

Nunmaker stated he had attended the Chamber meeting regarding the Texas A&M study. He said he was very impressed. The group brain stormed a lot of ideas with a common thread in all five groups. Barbara Peterman is the great driver in this task force.

Hall questioned the April 8 seminar in Seguin on abatement, Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone, and other economic incentive tools. Andy Nunmaker stated he planned to attend. Billy Kahn stated that it will probably be cancelled.

There were no other items or announcements.

**13. Adjournment.**

With no further discussion or comments, Nunmaker adjourned the meeting at 5:45 p.m.

President:



Attest

Secretary:

