

**EASTLAND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, INC.**  
**BOARD MEETING**  
**June 12, 2023**

The Eastland Economic Development, Inc. Board of Directors met in the Commission Chambers at Eastland City Hall as scheduled, and notice was posted 72 hours in advance and prior to the meeting.

Members Present:

Board Member _____	Mark Pipkin
Board Member _____	Carolyn White
Board Member _____	Terry Slavens

Executive Director:

\_\_\_\_\_ Ryder Warren

Members Absent:

Board Member _____	Vicki Bradley
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City Staff Present:

City Manager _____	J.J. Oznick
City Secretary _____	Roma Holley

Guests: Donnie Cate, James Doyle

I. Meeting Called to Order

Mark Pipkin called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m.

II. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

The Invocation was offered by Terry Slavens and James Doyle led the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. Public Comment on any Subject not Listed on this Agenda  
(Limited to Five Minutes Per Speaker)

No Comment

IV. Finance Report

Donald Cate stated the Sales tax for the month of May 2023 is 4.7% higher than May 2022 and it has increased 11.1% total for the year. The rest of the report is the normal income and expenditures.

Carolyn White made a motion, seconded by Terry Slavens, to approve the finance report as presented. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes: Pipkin, Slavens, White  
Nays: None  
Absent: Bradley

V. Approve Minutes of the May 8, 2023 meeting

Terry Slavens made a motion, seconded by Carolyn White to approve the minutes of the May 8, 2023 meeting. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes: Pipkin, Slavens, White

Nays: None

Absent: Bradley

VI. The EEDI Board of Directors May Discuss and Take Action on the Following Agenda Items:

1. Discussion and Possible Approval of Lease Agreement with Troy Construction, LLC

Executive Director Warren advised the board that Troy Construction is clearing the lot behind Blake Fulenwider in the Eastland Business Park. They have placed two office buildings there already. They will be using the lot as a pipe yard for a job that consists of laying pipe between Abilene and Fort Worth. The initial lease is for three months but they would like to have the option to extend the lease. The payment for the initial lease has been paid and they have extended their liability insurance. All of our criteria have been met. Warren gave permission, pending board approval, for the initial work of clearing to begin June 1, 2023.

Terry Slavens made a motion, seconded by Carolyn White to approve the Lease Agreement with Troy Construction. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes: Pipkin, Slavens, White

Nays: None

Absent: Bradley

2. Discussion and Possible Approval of Conveyance of Warner University Subdivision to Eastland Community Foundation

Executive Director Ryder Warren stated that in 2007, the bulk of the Warner University Subdivision was conveyed by the EEDI to the Eastland Community Foundation. Upon surveying the property recently, it was discovered that Lot 3 block 1 was not on the original conveyance. Due to a potential sale of this property, we need to make sure everything is correct.

Carolyn White made a motion, seconded by Terry Slavens, to approve the Conveyance of Lot 3 Block 1 of the Warner University Subdivision to Eastland Community Foundation along with the fact that she will sign the special warranty deed in lieu of Chairman Bradley not being present. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes: Pipkin, Slavens, White

Nays: None

Absent: Bradley

3. Discussion and Possible Approval of Board Member Resignation – James Doyle

Executive Director Ryder Warren stated that James Doyle had been elected to the Eastland City Commission and is no longer eligible to serve on the EEDI board.

Co-Chairman Mark Pipkin thanked Mr. Doyle for his service and wished him the best in his future endeavors.

Terry Slavens made a motion, seconded by Carolyn White to accept the resignation of James Doyle. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes: Pipkin, Slavens, White

Nays: None

Absent: Bradley

VII. Executive Director's Report –

Executive Director Ryder Warren discussed the procedure of finding a replacement for Mr. Doyle. Warren then informed the board that next week, he will be attending the Texas Economic Development Conference in Allen, Texas.

VIII. Adjournment

Carolyn White made a motion, seconded by Terry Slavens to adjourn at 12:21 p.m. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes: Pipkin, Slavens, White

Nays: None

Absent: Bradley

Approved:

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Mark Pipkin, Co- Chairman  
EEDI Board

Attest:

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Roma Holley, City Secretary