

EASTLAND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, INC.
BOARD MEETING
September 18, 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 _____	Terry Slavens
Board Member _____	Mark Pipkin
Board Member _____	Carolyn White
Board Member _____ arrived 12:10	Vicki Bradley
Board Member _____	Matthew Crum

Executive Director:

_____ Ryder Warren

City Staff Present:

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

Guests: Donnie Cate, Terry Simmons

I. Meeting Called to Order

Mark Pipkin called the meeting to order at 12:01 p.m.

II. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

The Invocation was offered by Terry Slavens and Carolyn White led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

IV. Finance Report

Donald Cate presented the report with the normal income and expenditures. He also noted the sales tax shows an increase of 9.5% increase for the year.

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

Ayes: Crum, Slavens, White

Nays: None

Absent: Bradley

V. Approve Minutes of the August 14, 2023 meeting

Carolyn White made a motion, seconded by Terry Slavens to approve the minutes of the August 14, 2023 meeting. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes: Crum, Slavens, White

Nays: None

Absent: Bradley

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

1. Discuss and Consider 2022-2023 Amended Budget

Executive Director Ryder Warren stated we just need to adjust a couple of line items in order to close out the 2022-2023 Budget.

Terry Slavens made a motion, seconded by Carolyn White, to approve the Amended 2022-2023 Budget. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes: Crum, Slavens, White

Nays: None

Absent: Bradley

2. Discuss and Consider 2023-2024 EEDI Budget

Executive Director Ryder Warren and CPA Donnie Cate presented the new budget. Discussion followed and Carolyn White made a motion, seconded by Terry Slavens to approve the 2023-2024 Budget. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes: Crum, Slavens, White

Nays: None

Absent: Bradley

3. Discuss and Consider Financial Support for Eastland Chamber of Commerce Marketing Project

Executive Director Ryder Warren stated that Chamber of Commerce Director Tiffany Beard is working on a project and may be asking for assistance in funding from the EEDI. Information is being gathered at this time.

No Action Taken

4. Discussion of Executive Director's Performance Objectives

Executive Session in Accordance with Texas Government Code 551.074
(Personnel)

Commence: 12:12 P.M.

Conclude: 12:27 P.M.

No Action taken.

5. Discussion of Eastland Real Estate Issues

Executive Session in Accordance with Texas Government Code 551.072
(Real Property)

Commence: 12:12 P.M.

Conclude: 12:27 P.M.

No Action taken.

VII. Executive Director's Report – Discussion of Strategic Planning Process

Executive Director Ryder Warren stated that he has given a program to a couple of different service organizations and also written an article for the Eastland County Newspaper. He will be speaking to the Eastland City Commission tonight and providing information about the 2022-2023 Budget amendment as well as the 2023-2024 Budget. He will also be giving his Annual Report to the Commissioners.

VIII. Adjournment

Carolyn White made a motion, seconded by Matthew Crum to adjourn at 12:30 p.m. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes: Crum, Pipkin, Slavens, White

Nays: None

Absent: None

Approved:

Vicki Bradley, Chairman
EEDI Board

Attest:

Roma Holley, City Secretary