

**MINUTES FOR THE SPECAIL MEETING OF THE
BANDERA ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 29, 2021 AT 6:00 PM
AT CITY HALL, 511 MAIN STREET, BANDERA, TX**

1. Call to Order.

The meeting was called to order at 6:04 pm. All board members were present (Jerad Wilcox, Laura Devenport, Lauren Ojeda, Alan Arterbury, Toni Kunz, Christine Morse, Donna Ross)

2. Announcements.

Frontier Times Museum Gala on October 30th, Nightmare on Maple Street on Oct 31st, Christmas Light meeting November 4th at Mansfield Park, Buckfest on November 6th, Planning & Zoning zoning change request forms are available

3. Visitors to be Heard.

Jerry Russe – Mr. Russe commented about the last EDC meeting on October 23rd and commented on the mention of collusion. He felt the actions of the president were out of line.

4. Consent Agenda.

(Items on consent agenda are considered being of a routine nature by the Economic Development Corporation and may require only limited discussion. Any Board Member may request that items be removed from the consent agenda and be considered separately for the purpose of discussion and voting)

- a. **Minutes of the September 23, 2021 and October 21, 2021 agenda.**
- b. **Reimbursement of Quickbooks for July 2021**
- c. **Invoices due**
- d. **Administrative Assistant invoice**

Motion not to accept minutes made by Laura Devenport, seconded by Christine Morse. There was discussion about the Best Western 380 agreement and if it was on the previous meeting's consent agenda. The motion was recalled.

Motion to approve the consent agenda made by Toni Kunz, seconded by Christine Morse. All in favor, none opposed. Motion passed.

5. Discussion and possible action on the election of EDC Board officers.

- a. **President**
- b. **Vice President**
- c. **Treasurer**
- d. **Secretary**

There was discussion about when the terms end. Laura Devenport nominates Jerad Wilcox for president. There was discussion about possible changes in board members.

Motion to table until the next regular meeting by Toni Kunz, seconded by Lauren Ojeda. All in favor, none opposed. Motion passed.

6. Discussion and possible action on interviewing and reviewing EDC applicants to fill two board openings.

Motion to table until the next regular meeting by Donna Ross, seconded by Laura Devenport. There as discussion about inviting the applicants to the next meeting. There was also discussion on picking a date for a special meeting specifically for this item. The date of November 8th at 6:00 pm was chosen.

The motion was amended to include the special called meeting. All in favor, none opposed. Motion passed.

7. Discussion and possible action on amending promotional fund budget.

There was discussion about a recent deposit and getting financials for the month of October before this item was discussed. Motion to table until the next regular meeting made by Laura Devenport, seconded by Lauren Ojeda. All in favor, none opposed. Motion passed.

8. Discussion and possible action on Promotional Fund Applications.

There was discussion about the amount of funds available, about \$32,000.00 and the total amount requested, about \$31,000.00.

a. Texas Hill Country MusicFest / Denise Griffin

March 12, 2022, requesting \$1,500, received \$1500 last year

b. Bandera Brewery Beerfest / Elizabeth Cox

Oct 21-24, 2021, requesting \$1,500 in application, first year to apply for funds, stating in meeting they are actually requesting \$1,100 because of the actual money spent.

c. Buckfest / Tammi Boutlinghouse

November 5, 2021, requesting \$4,000, received \$2,000 last year as well as city HOT fund, 60th event

d. Bandera Honors Veterans 2022 / Commander Susan Junker

November 13, 2021, requesting \$2,000, received \$2,000 last year, not a fund-raising event

e. Bandera ProRodeo Association / Janna Lindig

Memorial Day 2022, requesting \$10,000, received \$10,000 and \$7,000 in HOT funds for the 2020 event, no requests made in 2020, all previous funds were saved and used for 2021, 7th year running

f. Ridin on Faith Rodeo / Karen Konvicka

November 6-7, 2021, requesting \$1,000, no funds previously requested because this is a new event based on the success of the Hooey Qualifier earlier in the year

g. Cowboys on Main / Cindy Beckham

Year-round, requesting \$10,000, received \$10,000 last year and \$5,000 in HOT funds

h. Medina River Clean Up

Yearly event, requesting \$1,000, no funds received last year because the event was cancelled due to COVID-19

Motion to approve all the requested amounts by Toni Kunz, seconded by Laura Devenport. All in favor, none opposed. Motion passed.

9. Discussion and possible action on proposals made for EDC-owned land on Buck Creek Dr.

Laura Devenport recused herself from the discussion and voting on this item due to being on the board of the Silver Sage and stated she is not required to recuse herself by law and is not required to leave the room.

a. Bandera Fire and Rescue

There was discussion about other options for BFR that may suit them better than the Buck Creek property. Motion to deny the sale of EDC owned land on Buck Creek to the Bandera Fire and Rescue and request that the EDC president continue to work with BFR to accomplish their mission made by Toni Kunz, seconded by Christine Morse. All in favor, none opposed. Motion passed.

b. Art Crawford, Silver Sage

There was discussion about the new proposal being for one piece of land for the food bank only. Motion for the president to move forward with negotiations with Art Crawford for the sale of the specific lot to the Silver Sage for the food bank made by Toni Kunz, seconded by Christine Morse. There was discussion about this item coming back before the board after negotiations for approval. All in favor, none opposed. Motion passed.

c. John and Pat Boyle, Guillot Realty

Mr. John Boyle addressed the board about the tax exemption comments made at the last meeting. There was discussion about looking into other options for the property to ensure the best situation for the community. Motion enter negotiations with John and Pat Boyle, Lauren Ojeda, seconded by Toni Kunz. Toni Kunz, Lauren Ojeda, Alan Arterbury and Christine Morse in favor, Donna Ross opposed. Motion passed.

10. Discussion and possible action on the Bandera Hill Project.

It was clarified that this item was supposed to be the Bandera Ale Project and was supposed to be part of the promotional funding agenda item.

11. Update on block project partnership for back-in angle parking.

There was no action on this item.

12. Update on the Wayfind Idea Signs.

Laura Devenport provided an update and explained she was not able to get any information from TxDOT. There was discussion about creating a committee to start the process of the deciding what signs are needed. There was discussion about involving Simplecity and keeping the business and creation of the signs local. There was no action on this item.

13. Discussion and possible action on entering negotiations with Keely Hansen.

CLOSED SESSION. The Bandera Economic Development Corporation will convene in executive session under Texas Government Code 551.072 for deliberation regarding real property; a governmental body may conduct a closed meeting to deliberate the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property.

ACTION FOLLOWING CLOSED SESSION. The Bandera Economic Development Corporation will convene to consider any action after the closed session.

There was discussion about the negotiations taking place before the meeting but having it as an agenda item just in case it was needed. There was no action on this item.

14. Discussion and possible action on adding and removing signers on the Bandera Bank signature cards.

- a. Remove Toni Kunz**
- b. Add Donna Ross**
- c. Add David Jordan**
- d. Add Keely Hansen**

Motion to add Donna Ross, add David Jordan, add Keely Hansen and add this item on the next agenda made by Toni Kunz, seconded by Christine Morse. All in favor, none opposed. Motion passed.

15. Update on Hackberry property.

Christine Morse stated that once the second reading of the resolution has been made at City Council and the resolution has been signed, she can get it to the title company and a date for closing can be set. There was no action on this item.

16. Discussion and possible action on EDC board members attending TML EDC conference in Bastrop in Nov. 2021.

There was discussion about a conference in Bastrop on November 11th and 12th and there are funds for board members to go to conferences.

Motion to approve sending one EDC board member to the EDC conference in Bastrop for the registration fees and up to the travel costs made by Toni Kunz, seconded by Christine Morse. All in favor, none opposed. Motion passed.

COMMENTS:

Donna Ross ordered 10 copies of Robert's Rules of Order

Boerne EDC built mix use building and become a liaison with Boerne EDC, Donna Ross

The meeting was adjourned at 7:48 pm.

Keely Hansen, Administrative Assistant