

Sweeny Economic Development Corporation
Regular Meeting Minutes
May 11, 2026

I. **Call to Order**

Jenny Massey called to order the meeting of the Sweeny Economic Development Corporation at 6:15 pm on May 11, 2026, at Sweeny Public Works meeting room.

II. **Roll Call**

Michelle Medina conducted the roll call. The following were present: Neal Bess Jr., Brian Brooks, Bill Hayes, and Jenny Massey

Absent: Katie Goff, Brittanie Hopkins and Christine Sowles

Visitors: Wayman Hutchings and Karen Hutchings

Public Hearing – City of Sweeny Entrance Sign

Open at 6:16 pm

No one was present and no comments.

Close at 6:22 pm

III. **Financial Report – April 2026**

M. Medina read the financial report for April 2026. B. Brooks made the motion to accept the financial report as presented. B. Hayes 2nd. All in favor and motion carried.

IV. **Minutes for Regular Meeting – April 2026**

B. Hayes made a motion to approve the April regular meeting minutes as presented. B. Brooks 2nd. All in favor and motion carried.

V. **Reports**

EDC Executive Director:

M. Medina gave her report: I met with T designs and Tinted Tunez they are looking to expand their business in Sweeny. David and I met with the BC Hispanic Chamber. PT Brunner has a commercial space becoming available. We have electrical out at the industrial park.

Trying to help Trilogy and Equipment Share get cleared with Energy Transfer.

I attended Beautification meeting and BC Alliance Lower Brazos River Coalition luncheon. I have been invited to attend the P66 Stem luncheon.

City:

Working on drainage and culverts. Capital Improvement working on sidewalks. Ad valorem taxes up. Hope to repave streets soon. Farmers' Market was good. Next one June 26th from 4 pm to 7 pm.

VI. **Old Business:**

a. Industrial Park Project Updates – 1. Trilogy –Working with Energy Transfer and pipeline easement. As soon as foundation is complete, building will immediately follow. EDC board is requesting sales tax report from Trilogy. B. Brooks made a motion to accept the

amendment to extend the completion date of Trilogy. B. Hayes 2nd. N. Bess Jr. opposed. Motion carried. 2. Stark Inc. – No update. 3. Equipment Share – Waiting on pipeline easement regulations. 4. Mowing and cleaning up – B. Brooks reported that he as mowed and started burning. N. Bess Jr. added he cleaned up logs. 5. Punchlist – M. Medina reported we need to vote on a sign for the industrial park. N. Bess Jr. made a motion to accept the bid from The Sign Guy for \$6,085. B. Brooks 2nd. All in favor and motion carried.

- b. Discuss and act as needed amending bylaws to reflect Employee share agreement – table M. Medina to get with attorney to update the bylaws.
- c. City entrance sign – has been put on council's agenda. Ask other organizations to help with second sign.
- d. Discuss and act as needed fireworks for 4th of July – M. Medina and J. Massey went over the bids received from firework vendors. W. Hutchins presented a bid for fireworks for \$12,000. N. Bess Jr. made a motion to go with W. Hutchins and Freedom Fireworks for fireworks for 4th of July. B. Brooks 2nd. All in favor and motion carried.
- e. Discuss and act as needed benches on Main Street – B. Hayes spoke with Rhonda Kennedy. He will reach out to Martha Zamora, President of the Rotary Club to see if they would like to take on the project.

VII. **New Business:**

- a. Discuss and act as needed Elvira Alvarez grant – Victor has reached out to me. He is looking to purchase her property. He wants to make arrangements to pay her loan. B. Hayes requests M. Medina to reach out to Jeff, attorney with help on this. N. Bess Jr. 2nd. All in favor and motion carried.
- b. Discuss and act as needed Major Farms storefront opportunity – M. Medina reported reaching out to Major Farms. They did respond with an email. Just information for everyone to think about.
- c. Discuss and act as needed board member absences – B. Brooks made a motion to remove the board member and look for a replacement. N. Bess Jr. 2nd. All in favor and motion carried.

VIII. **Executive Session:**

VIII. **Reconvened:**

IX. **Items of Community Interest**

Next Farmers' Market is coming in June.

XI. **Adjournment**

B. Brooks made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:53 pm. N. Bess Jr. 2nd. All in favor and motion carried.

Approved and passed on July 13, 2026.

Michelle Medina

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Executive Director, Sweeny EDC