

**ENNIS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, APRIL 9, 2019
4:00 P.M.**

CALL TO ORDER

President Montgomery called a regular meeting of the Ennis Economic Development Corporation to order on Tuesday, April 9, 2019 at 4:03 P.M. in the City Commission Chambers of Ennis City Hall, 115 W. Brown Street, Ennis Texas 75119.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Montgomery led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Nelson offered the Invocation.

ROLL CALL

Economic Development Administrative Assistant Rhonda Winters called roll; a quorum was present to wit:

Directors Present: Mike Montgomery, Tom Abram, Betty Glaspy, Jess Haupt, Angie Juenemann, Phil Newsom, Russell Thomas

Directors Absent:

Staff Present: Marty Nelson, Ashley Colunga, Becky McCarty, Scott Dixon and Ben Nibarger

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION & CONSIDERATION

1. Discuss and consider the minutes of the February 12, 2019 meeting.
 - a. Motion by Thomas, 2nd by Haupt approving the minutes of the February 12, 2019 meeting.
 - i. 7 Ayes
2. Citizens request to address the Board
 - a. No one spoke.
3. Finance Review
 - a. Current finance update
 - i. The current budget and finances were presented by Mr. Nelson.
 - b. Annual Financial report was presented by YWW&R (Danny Strunc)
 - i. No issues or discrepancies were noted.
4. Economic Development update
 - a. Communications and Marketing update
 - i. Social Media
 1. Influencers – Texas Hill Country and My Curley Adventures
 - ii. Billboards
 1. 3 (Hwy 287, IH-45 and Ennis Ave)

- b. Main Street update
 - i. Farmers Market update
 - 1. New paving and striping
 - 2. New signage
- c. Tourism update
 - i. Bluebonnet Trails
- d. Kaufman Development update
 - i. Façade Grant
 - 1. 2402 S Kaufman (Maverick Metal)
 - a. \$27,000 project, qualifying for \$7,500 grant.
- e. Downtown Development update
 - i. Welcome Center update
 - 1. Masonry work continues
 - 2. Project is approximately 50% complete
 - ii. Historic Preservation Grant
 - 1. 107 N Sherman (new City Hall)
 - a. \$4.9 million dollar project, qualifying for a \$150,000 grant.
- f. Industrial Development update
 - i. Project Benoit
 - 1. \$15 million dollar project, 15 Jobs
 - ii. GAF II
 - 1. \$20-\$25 million dollars capital
 - iii. Snoopy
 - 1. \$200,000 million dollars capital, 400 jobs.
- g. Commercial/Retail Development update
 - i. None provided
- h. Residential Development update
 - i. None provided

ACTIONS

1. Discuss and consider approving the annual financial report.
 - a. Motion by Abram, 2nd by Haupt approving the annual financial report.
 - i. 7 Ayes
2. Discuss and consider approving a façade grant for 2402 S Kaufman.
 - a. Motion by Juenemann, 2nd by Thomas approving a façade grant for 2402 S Kaufman.
 - i. 7 Ayes
3. Conduct a public hearing to hear testimony and consider taking action upon an Historic Preservation Grant for 107 N Sherman.
 - a. Public hearing opened, no comment, public hearing closed at 4:30pm.

4. Discuss and consider approving an Historic Preservation Grant for 107 N Sherman in an amount not to exceed \$150,000.
 - a. Motion by Haupt, 2nd by Thomas approving a Historic Preservation Grant for 107 N Sherman in the amount not to exceed \$150,000.
 - i. 7 Ayes

ADJOURNMENT

With no other business before the Economic Development Corp. Board, President Montgomery declared the meeting adjourned at 4:40 P.M.



RUSSELL R. THOMAS
Secretary