

Holmes County Development Commission

Meeting Minutes
Regular Board Meeting
Monday, October 21, 2019 5:30 P.M.
@ "The Log Cabin"

Members in Attendance:

Jeremy Rolling, Judy Powell, George Robertson, Joe Rone, Doyle Majors, Rhonda Sapp, Kenneth Capps, Rickey Callahan, Lance Medley, Leigh Ann Sharon

Members Absent:

Brian Schultz, Rhonda Byrd Lee

Others Present:

Madison Collins, Ben Armstrong, Nate Nolin, Raymon Thomas

Emergency Items for the Agenda

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A. CALL TO ORDER:

Doyle called the meeting to order at 5:30 P.M. At this time, Doyle asked if anyone from the public had anything they would like to discuss. Mr. Thomas came forward to speak about some projects he wanted to present to the board. He mentioned that he had been working with Home Depot and that the company was interested in purchasing property in Holmes County. The attorney recommended sending a letter of intent to the company. Rickey motioned to send a letter of intent to Home Depot stating the Board would sell the property for \$12,000.00 per acre and reserve the timber from the property with the company having fifteen days to respond and sixty days to complete the sale. Jeremy seconded and the motion carried. George motioned to allow Mr. Thomas to work the Home Depot project at the discretion of the board at no cost with no authority to make any decisions without bringing it to the board. Kenneth seconded. Rickey then moved to amend the motion to state that Mr. Thomas will report weekly to the interim director on the status of the project and provide copies of any documents that are pertinent. George seconded. Rickey's motion to amend the original motion carried, but George's original motion did not carry.

B. CONSENT AGENDA

Doyle made a motion to remove the Board of Director's guidelines from the agenda as well as the topic of a workshop and Executive Director guidelines. George seconded and the motion carried. Rickey motioned to make a revision to the minutes from October and Jeremy seconded. Motion carried. Motion carried to accept the minutes.

C. BOARD & COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Finance Report – Joe went over the deposits and withdrawals for each account. He went over the check detail for checks that have been wrote from the checking account. He went over the credit card purchases as well. Jeremy motioned to accept the financials and Lance seconded. Motion carried. While the financials were being discussed, Yaupon Wellness also came up. After some discussion, the attorneys would like to look over everything with Yaupon Wellness to make sure the board is covered.

D. OLD BUSINESS

First on the agenda for old business was the introductions of the board's new attorneys: Nate Nolin and Ben Armstrong. Next topic discussed was the middle school property/credit union building. The board made an offer of \$125,000.00 to the superintendent and the school board, but it was not accepted at this time so there is still negotiation that is taking place. Community South Credit Union is still interested in selling the building that is on the school property, but the board would like to be certain about the school property before making an offer on the credit union building. It was also mentioned that income from the Pilcher property sale and the PDL property sale were both put towards the principal on the loan.

E. NEW BUSINESS

The first topic under new business is the election of officers. George made a motion to keep the current officers for their positions and Lance seconded. Lance and George voted yes while everyone else voted no. Motion failed. Rhonda S motioned to table the nominating of officers until the next meeting. Jeremy seconded and the motion carried. Next item discussed was Project Doughnut. Joe just wanted to inform everyone that he had been working with Charley Mingus about expanding the doughnut company.

F. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

At this time a discussion was brought up regarding a check that had been written to John Hagans in November of 2018. Based on minutes from an older meeting, it was confirmed that Jeremy's original motion did not state that a check should be written to Mr. Hagans but instead to the City of Esto. Having the attorney's present, they recommended sending a letter to both the City of Esto and Mr. Hagans in order to try and get those funds back because previous terms were not met. Jeremy motioned to move forward with the attorney recommendation and George seconded. Motion carried. Joe talked about a grant to possibly build a harden storm shelter on highway 90. He would like to see what it would cost to apply for this grant and bring it back to the board. Joe talked about an academy that Opportunity Florida was offering. He asked that if anyone would like to attend to let him know by the 22nd of October. Joe mentioned that the County Commissioner meeting and both planning meetings went well for the projects. It was discussed that TransCore's water heater has been out of order and should be fixed. Joe talked about speaking to Mr. Coker, who is with project Crown, and mentioned he had sent the company a copy of the blueprints for their building. The slab has been poured and the building is scheduled to go up on October 29th. Project Xtreme was next on the agenda. Everything has been going on track for project Xtreme and things should be finishing up smoothly. Joe also talked about project Tea. The concrete is being finished up and after a few minor setbacks things are rolling along with this project and the building is ready to be put up.

G. ADJOURN

Rickey motioned to adjourn. George seconded. Meeting adjourned at 7:41 P.M.

Doyle Majors, Chair Date of approval
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