

Gun Barrel City
Economic Development Corporation
1720 W. Main Street
Gun Barrel City, Texas 75156

Tuesday, November 8, 2022 6:00pm
Council Chambers
1716 W. Main Street
Gun Barrel City, Texas 75156

Meeting Minutes

Call to order/Establishment of Quorum

Present: Diane Johannes
Brian Crull
Keith Bond
Jeff Madison
Kate Weller
Roy Key
Deidre Jones

Invocation and Moment of Silence led by Diane Johannes

1. Citizen's Comments – none.
2. Discuss/Take Action on Adoption of Minutes from the October 11, 2022 EDC Meeting and the October 18, 2022 Special Meeting. Brian Crull made a motion to approve the Minutes from the Oct. 11, 2022 EDC Meeting and the Oct. 18, 2022 Special Meeting and Keith Bond seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
3. Update on the Pier 334 Project progress was moved to Executive Session
4. Discuss/Take Action to allow the City Attorney to pursue Eminent Domain proceedings for the Sandy Shores property to be conveyed to the Pier 334 Project. This was discussed in Executive Session and voted on in open session afterward.
5. Discuss/Take Action to Sponsor the Gun Barrel Texas Country Showcase for \$1000. Diane Johannes asked what the EDC would receive for the sponsorship and was told we would get 10 VIP tickets. It is too close to the event date for the EDC to get any advertising or promotion. Motion to Sponsor the Gun Barrel Texas Country Showcase for \$1000 was made by Keith Bond and seconded by Roy Key. Motion was declined unanimously.
6. General Consensus on advertising and sponsorships. Discussion included promoting Gun Barrel City at local Boat Shows and outdoors themed publications as well as new retailers.
7. Discuss/Take Action to create a grant program for exterior security cameras at local businesses. The Board and Director discussed options including infrared light and motion sensors. The program would agree to pay 50% of the cost to the business up to a yet to be determined limit. Director will meet with Police Chief to discuss further. This program will improve the safety of our community and reduce insurance premiums for businesses.
8. Adjourn to Executive Session at 6:21pm.
 - a. Deliberations about Economic Development Negotiations (551.087)

9. Reconvene into Open Session at 7:09pm.

- a. Discuss/Take Action on item #4 from our Agenda regarding eminent domain. Brian Crull moved that the EDC allow the City Attorney to pursue eminent domain proceedings for the Sandy Shores property to be conveyed to the Pier 334 Project and Jeff Madison seconded. All Directors voted yes except Keith Bond who voted no. Motion passes.

10. Adjourn at 7:10pm.

Attest:

Name: _____

Signed: _____