

**FARMERSVILLE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION**  
**MINUTES** September 12, 2011  
**Budget Hearing and Board Meeting**

The Farmersville Community Development Corporation met on September 12, 2011 at the Best Community Conference Center with the following board members present: Loydell Seward, Jim Dawkins, Bill Daniel, Diane Piwko, David Reynolds, Charlie Whitaker, and Del Sergent.

**RECOGNITION OF CITIZENS/VISITORS**

Chairman Dawkins welcomed Main Street Manager Adah Leah Wolf, Mayor Joe Helmberger, Public Works Director Ben White, Chamber president Chris Lair, Chamber director Heather Grupido, and Councilman Billy Long.

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Dawkins convened the meeting at 5:45 p.m. and announced that a quorum was present after roll call by Adah Leah Wolf.

**PUBLIC HEARING**

The Chairman opened the Public Hearing at 5:47 PM, and asked for public comments for or against the proposed budget.

Diane Piwko expressed concern about spending so much from the reserves. Jim Dawkins expressed concern that all of the funded projects may not be completed this fiscal year. Bill Daniel reminded the board that budget amendments can be made during the fiscal year to reflect the current progress on projects. Ben White commented that he will not ask the board to expend the \$50,000 grant match until final plans have been formulated. Joe Helmberger commented that he appreciates the work of the 4B Board and likes the FY 2012 budget.

The Chairman closed the Public Hearing at 6:08 PM.

**CONSIDER FOR APPROVAL AUGUST 15, 2011 MEETING MINUTES**

On a motion by Loydell Seward, and a second by Bill Daniel, the Board approved the meeting minutes of August 15, 2011 as written.

**CONSIDER FOR APPROVAL AUGUST 2011 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXPENSES**

On a motion by Bill Daniel, and a second by Del Sergent, the Board approved the financials from August, 2011 as written.

**APPROVE 2011-12 4B BUDGET AND GOALS**

On a motion by Charlie Whitaker, and a second by Del Sergent, the Board approved the 2011-12 budget and goals, with one opposing vote.

**UPDATE ON CHAPARRAL TRAILHEAD SIGN – CHARLIE WHITAKER**

Whitaker reported that the Chaparral Trailhead sign is complete. Volunteers will assist with its installation.

**UPDATE FROM BEN WHITE PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR**

Public Works Director Ben White provided a monthly written summary for August activities, and highlighted the following: He has obtained a complete scale survey drawing of the Spain Complex, which indicates utilities, irrigation system, lighting, parking, fences, etc. Estimates on concrete prefabricated restrooms are in the \$50,000 range, which indicates that we will have to build our own. Graffiti on the Onion Shed is being removed. He is considering closing the public restrooms in City Park at 9 P.M. Prices

obtained for LED lighting for Southlake Park are prohibitive. Southlake sidewalks are being reworked to make them ADA compliant. Buckling on the Chaparral Trail has been repaired, with ramps installed near the bridges to span the differing heights between the paving and the bridges. The Mormon Church will volunteer to clean the Chaparral Trail on September 17, 2011. White to meet with architect Dave Baldwin for final plans on Chaparral Trail improvements. Work is progressing on drainage ditches throughout the city.

**MAIN STREET MANAGER UPDATE**

Main Street Manager Adah Leah Wolf provided a written monthly report for August 2011, and highlighted the following: Manager met with Linda Dawkins regarding starting a museum planning committee; the first planning meeting will be held next week. Doggie Day Festival planning continues; a whole day's worth of demonstrations is planned, and doggie vendors are signing up. Fliers were provided to the Texas Lakes Trail for their info booth at the Hotter'N Hell Hundred bike race in Wichita Falls. Replacement "Welcome to Farmersville" sign has been ordered for the 214 S. Main location. The Meguires are still working on the interior of the McGuire building. Manager met with Pete Campbell and also with Randy Clark regarding their applications for 4A façade grants. Main Street architectural assistance was received for 301 McKinney Street. Replacement "Discover Downtown" banners and brackets were ordered. Downtown merchants meeting was hosted by Kevin and Patti Meguire; next month's meeting to be hosted by Adam and Heather Reed at Critter Cabin.

**APPROVE MAIN STREET BOARD MEMBER APPOINTMENT**

Wolf submitted the name of Brian Williams to the Board as a recommended appointment to the Main Street Board. On a motion by Loydell Seward, and a second by Bill Daniel, the motion carried.

**WRAP-UP AND DISCUSSION OF PLACING ITEMS ON FUTURE AGENDAS**

The next board meeting is planned for Monday, October 10, at 5:45 PM in the Best Center. A report from Parks and Recreation Board will be placed on the agenda, as well as an update from David Baldwin, architect, on improvement plans for Chaparral Trail.

Chris Lair, Chamber President, updated the board on the Chamber's recent decision to cut the hours of the visitor's center and employee for financial reasons, to 9 am – 3 pm Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday. Plans for the upcoming October 29 bike ride are progressing well.

**ADJOURN**

On a motion to adjourn by Bill Daniel, seconded by Del Sergent, the Board adjourned the meeting at 6:40 PM.

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Jim Dawkins, Chairman

Attest:

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Loydell Seward, Secretary