

FARMERSVILLE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
MINUTES May 14, 2012

The Farmersville Community Development Corporation met on May 14, 2012 at the Best Community Conference Center with the following board members present: Jim Dawkins, Charlie Whitaker, Bill Daniel, Diane Piwko, Del Sergent, and Loydell Seward. Absent: David Reynolds.

RECOGNITION OF CITIZENS/VISITORS

Chairman Dawkins welcomed Main Street Manager Adah Leah Wolf , City Manager Ben White, city councilman Billy Long, Mayor Joe Helmberger, Bettye Petree from the Farmersville Historical Society, and Mark Vincent from the Parks Board.

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.

CONSIDER FOR APPROVAL APRIL 9, 2012 MEETING MINUTES

On a motion by Bill Daniel, and a second by Loydell Seward, the Board approved the meeting minutes of April 9, 2012 as written.

CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF ITEMS FOR PAYMENT

After discussion, motion made by Loydell Seward to approve all items presented for payment. Motion seconded by Charlie Whitaker and passed unanimously.

CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR APRIL 2012 AND REQUIRED BUDGET AMENDMENTS

There was discussion of the large amount of tax revenue received this month, which city manager Ben White explained as being a result of a state comptroller's audit. There were tax revenues that were due to the city but had been coded wrong and had gone astray. Now that this is fixed, our revenues will see a substantial increase. Charlie Whitaker motioned to accept the financial statements as written; motion seconded by Del Sergent and passed unanimously.

UPDATE ON PARKS BOARD - MARK VINCENT

Parks Board president Mark Vincent reported that the board had met and has proposed the purchase of a drinking fountain for the Chaparral Trail trailhead. The parks board researched different manufacturers and presented their best choice. Del Sergent made a motion to approve the requested purchase; motion was seconded by Bill Daniel. There was discussion about the exact location, and whether a less expensive way could be found to install the fountain, perhaps allowing for several at the same price. There was also discussion of possible landscaping near the fountain, and cost of installation. Bill Daniel withdrew the motion. Agenda item to be placed on agenda next month, with more detailed information to be provided on costs, etc.

LAND PURCHASE UPDATE- JIM DAWKINS

Chairman Jim Dawkins reported that all legal requirements have been covered by both parties, and the closing date will be at the end of this month.

UPDATE FROM CITY MANAGER BEN WHITE

White reported that electrical wiring has been replaced on field 3 at the Spain Complex. Zoyza grass by the Onion Shed is doing well. We are in the process of replanting potted plants downtown. The sidewalk ADA improvements project is nearly complete. Chaparral Trail construction work to begin June through August

2012. Geocachers cleaned the Chaparral Trail in April; it will be cleaned next by the local churches on May 19. New Civic Center fees have been established. The bond election passed.

UPDATE FROM MAIN STREET MANAGER ADAH LEAH WOLF

Main Street Manager Adah Leah Wolf provided a written monthly report for April 2012, and highlighted the following: Intern Travis Pecht will be here May 31. Loydell and Dick Seward and Lee Warren are providing housing for him. The museum planning committee received city council approval for the use of the onion shed “I” as a museum. The museum planning committee gave a presentation to the Farmersville Historical Society. The historical society does not want to include the new museum under their non-profit auspices, although members are supportive of the new museum. Last downtown merchants meeting hosted by The French Bunny owners, Ginger McNeill and Robyn Menard. Pete Campbell was encouraged to retain the grain silo on the side of his building. Lamp post downtown was hit by a driver and has been removed. Main Street architect Howard Langner has completed a design report for 101 Candy Street and for 106 McKinney Street. Greg Barber will be the speaker at Audie Murphy Day and the theme will be “welcome home Iraq veterans.”

WRAP-UP AND DISCUSSION OF PLACING ITEMS ON FUTURE AGENDAS

Agenda items for next board meeting: Parks Board update on water fountain

ADJOURN

On a motion to adjourn by Del Sargent, seconded by Charlie Whitaker, the meeting adjourned at 6:40 PM.

Jim Dawkins, Chairman

Loydell Seward, Secretary