

FARMERSVILLE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
MEETING MINUTES
February 19th, 2015

The Farmersville EDC met in regular session on February 19th, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers of City Hall with the following members present: Chairman Bob Collins, Chris Lair, Kevin Meguire and Kris Washam. Members absent were Robbie Tedford. Staff members present were City Manager Ben White, City Accountant Daphne Hamlin. Special guest recognized was Mayor Joe Helmsberger and Marta Frey with Collin College Small Business Development Center

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Collins convened the meeting at 7:03 p.m. and announced a quorum was present.

RECOGNITION OF CITIZENS/VISITORS

Special guest recognized was Mayor Joe Helmsberger and Marta Frey with Collin College Small Business Development Center

RECEIVE REPORT ON STATUS OF STATE HIGHWAY 380 RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT FROM LAKE LAVON TO THE COLLIN/HUNT COUNTY LINE

City Manager Ben White came before the Board stating there was not a lot to report on. Mr. White stated Orange Street is shut down for a while, maybe to the end of March 2015. Raymond Street is the only other street that's left to connect onto Highway 380.

UPDATE REGARDING COLLIN COLLEGE CAMPUS

Chairman Collins stated he had nothing new to report on the Collin College campus. Still in the process of hiring a new Collin College President. Chairman Collins stated the final interviews for the new Collin College President will be next week.

Mr. Meguire stated it was his understanding that the Farmersville Collin College Campus is not off the table. Mr. Meguire felt it would be a good idea to address this issue in the local paper that the Farmersville Collin College Campus is still coming. Chairman Collins suggested to set up an interview with the local paper and the new Collin College President. Mr. Meguire wanted to ensure that the Farmersville citizens are receiving the correct information regarding the Farmersville Collin College Campus.

PRESENTATION FROM MARTA FREY WITH THE COLLIN COLLEGE SMALL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT CENTER REGARDING ASSISTING SMALL BUSINESSES.

Marta Frey Director of Collin County SBDC assist entrepreneurs with their existing businesses. Ms. Frey came before the EDC 4A Board at the request of Chairman Collins

and City Manager Ben White. Ms. Frey handed out fliers with information regarding how the SBDC assist with business owners with advice on how to start a business all the way to continued growth. Ms. Frey and Mr. White will meet next week with local business owners offering the services SBDC provides. Ms. Frey said there are a variety of services SBDC offers anywhere from offering classes to business owners to grants.

Chairman Collins asked after Ms. Frey and Mr. White visited with the local business owners to come back before the board to give an update on the feel of what kind of businesses does Farmersville have and the future of Farmersville businesses.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING PROPOSED CITY OF FARMERSVILLE WASTEWATER FACILITY.

Mr. White stated the evaluation team will meet on the 23rd to review request for qualifications. Mr. White stated at the next regular scheduled EDC 4A meeting information will be provided to assist with a recommendation to the City Council for the engineering firm chosen.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING LOCAL BUSINESS WASTEWATER FACILITY AND INCORPORATE INTO CITY LIMITS.

Mr. White stated that he will contact an attorney in regards to what it will take on acquiring the easements and the possibility of a written agreement between the City and the Business owner.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING FARMERSVILLE TOWNE CENTRE

Chairman Collins asked Mr. White for an update. Mr. White stated the evaluation team will meet on the 26th of March. Mr. White stated should have proposals evaluated and ready for the next regular EDC 4A scheduled meeting in order to make a recommendation to City Council.

CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR JANUARY 2015, AND REQUIRED BUDGET AMENDMENTS

Kris Washam motioned to approve the financial statements as presented Kevin Meguire seconding the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 15TH, 2015 MEETING

Kevin Meguire motioned to approve January 15th, 2015 minutes presented with Kris Washam seconding the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

DISCUSSION IN CONTEMPLATION OF PLACING ITEMS ON FUTURE AGENDA

Report from Ben White regarding SBDC

ADJOURNMENT

Kris Washam motioned to adjourn with Kevin Meguire seconding the motion at 8:15p.m.

Bob Collins, President

ATTEST:

Kris Washam, Secretary

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