



MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SCHEDULED MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE  
SACHSE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

April 16, 2020

STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTIES OF DALLAS AND COLLIN

The Board of Directors of the Sachse Economic Development Corporation convened in a public meeting at 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, April 16, 2020, notice of the meeting having been posted as prescribed at the Sachse City Hall, 3815 Sachse Road, Building B, Sachse, Texas as required by Chapter 551, Local Texas Government Code. The role of duly constituted members of the Board of Directors was called, which members are as follows, to-wit:

Spencer Hauenstein, Tim Shivers, Jeff Bickerstaff-Council Liaison, Marcia Harris-Daniel, Tricia Lindsey, Mike VanBuskirk, Niloufer Watkins, Leslyn Blake-ex-officio, Gina Nash-ex-officio

**A. Regular Meeting Opening**

1. Call to Order.

President Hauenstein called the meeting to order at 5:05 p.m.

2. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. and Texas Flags.

Mr. Bickerstaff led the group in Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. and Texas Flags

**B. Consent Agenda**

1. Approve the minutes of the February 20, 2020 Regular Meeting.
2. Accept the monthly revenue and expenditure report for the period ending January 31, 2020 and preliminary budget report for February 2020.
3. Accept the Quarterly Investment Report for the quarter ending December 31, 2019.
4. Accept the monthly revenue and expenditure report for the period ending February 29, 2020 and the preliminary budget report for March 2020.
5. Approve the Consent Agenda Items as presented.

***Ms. Lindsey made a motion to approve consent agenda items. Ms. Harris Daniel seconded. Motion was passed by unanimous vote.***

**C. Regular Agenda Items**

1. Consider and take action regarding a funding request for a project for Massage Bliss and Cryo to offset impact of COVID-19 for projects located at 8040 Woodbridge Parkway #600 in an amount not to exceed \$70,000.00.

The grant applicant, Jon Fleitman, presented his request for a grant to offset impact of COVID-19. The Board opted for further discussion of item in Executive Session.

2. Discuss and consider action on a funding request for a project for the purchase of fireworks for the City of Sachse, for the Red, White and Blue Blast festivities at Heritage Park, in an amount not to exceed \$20,800.00.

Lance Whitworth, Director of Park and Recreation, presented the request. It is uncertain as to whether the event will take place due to restrictions on large public gatherings as a result of COVID-19. Mr. Whitworth reported that several options are being explored including just having the fireworks show. Mr. Shivers asked if the event became just a fireworks show, would the entire amount still be needed. Ms. Watkins asked when the deadline to cancel for a refund is. Mr. Whitworth will look into both questions.

***Mike VanBuskirk made motion to approve a grant for the purchase of fireworks for the City of Sachse, for the Red, White and Blue Blast festivities at Heritage Park, in an amount not to exceed \$20,800. Ms. Lindsey seconded. Motion passed with five in favor and Ms. Harris-Daniel voting no.***

3. Receive an update regarding actions taken by the SEDC as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic and plans for future measures that may be necessary.

Ms. Blake updated the Board on actions taken by staff in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. Efforts included:

- Staff attending webinars and staying informed by reading a variety of information and publications on the subject
- Research on possible resources for small businesses and posting resources through social media
- Compiling updated database of small businesses

Ms. Blake recommended waiting until the community is closer to recovery mode prior to offering financial assistance. The Board discussed options for small business support. A consensus was reached that the SEDC should act quickly to provide any financial support possible to businesses that were suffering as a result of COVID-19. The Board instructed staff to look into the budget and determine what dollar amount could potentially be set aside for small business aide and convene a special meeting to discuss findings.

**At 6:20 p.m., President Hauenstein convened from regular meeting into Executive Session**

**D. Executive Session**

1. The Sachse Economic Development Corporation shall convene into Executive Session pursuant to Texas Government Code Section §551.087: Deliberation regarding Economic Development Negotiations: Deliberation regarding economic development incentive for retail or commercial business projects seeking to locate within the City of Sachse.

2. The Sachse Economic Development Corporation shall convene into Executive Session pursuant to Texas Government Code Section §551.087: Deliberation regarding Economic Development Negotiations: Discussion of economic development incentive for Massage Bliss and Cryo to offset impact of COVID-19 for projects located at 8040 Woodbridge Pkwy #600.

**E. Regular Session**

1. At 7:42 pm reconvened into Regular Session

**F. Regular Meeting Closing**

1. Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned by President Hauenstein at 7:48 pm.

*Spencer Hauenstein*

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Spencer Hauenstein, President

*Leslyn Blake*

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Leslyn Blake, CEO