

**MEETING MINUTES OF THE  
LLANO ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION  
March 28, 2022**

**OPEN MEETING**

1. Call to Order
  - Allen Hopson called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM with the following members present: Hatch Smith, Josh Mayfield, and Pat McDowell
  - Members absent: Eric Schuessler, Marianne Fraser, and Sammy Leverett
  - Also present: City Manager Erica Berry, Tony Guidroz and John Ferguson
2. Public Comments
  - No public comments.
3. Discuss and Consider – Meeting Minutes for February 28, 2022
  - Pat asked for a correction to affordable housing sub-committee: to delete Marianne and add Allen.
  - Motion was made by Hatch Smith and seconded by Pat McDowell to approve the minutes as corrected.
  - Motion was approved unanimously.
  - *Post-meeting, it was confirmed by Pat that Marianne had indeed volunteered for this sub-committee and was added back on. With four sub-committee members, Mara will need to post potential quorum notices when this sub-committee meets with its larger group.*
4. Presentation – Chris Slade and Frank Rowell, Llano River Railroad
  - Steve Roberts presented on behalf of Frank Rowell with a PowerPoint highlighting the Llano River Railroad's future visions.
5. Discussion Only – Financial Reports for February, 2022
  - The financial reports were made ready, but the copy machine was not cooperative. The reports will be emailed to the Board, and we are anticipating being back on schedule at for April meeting.
6. Discussion Only – Remaining Bond Money on the JLK Arena & Events Center
  - Tabled until-next meeting.
7. Discuss and Consider – Affordable Housing
  - Allen and Pat met with Judge Cunningham and others. The next meeting will be April 6<sup>th</sup> at 7 AM at the hospital.
  - No action taken
8. Discuss and Consider – City Owned Properties
  - Allen stated that it looks like Avon Street will be the target property
  - Hatch and Pat expressed interest for the City to convey the back of the 88 acres to the LEDC and they could go out for RFP's.
  - No action taken.
9. Discussion Only – Review of Short- & Long-Term Goals
  - Pat reported on the trade school goal: meeting with Adult Workforce Education, Central Texas College.
  - Hatch reported on CMA training.
  - Erica offered that Texas State Technical College is another avenue.
10. Discuss and Consider – Broadband Project Funding
  - This is the Board's #1 short term goal.
  - Erica added that the pole reimbursement will be \$5K/pole. The City has a grant to pay for the contractors. She has \$50K in materials that needs paid, with a high probability of reimbursement.
  - Motion was made by Eric Schuessler and seconded by Josh Mayfield to fund the City of Llano's request of \$100K for this project.
  - Motion was approved unanimously.

11. Discussion Only - Monthly Review of Vacant Business Property

- Tony provided an updated list
- Pat pointed out that the vacancy rates are low, and does not want to add burden to Tony to provide redundant information. Tony says he regularly gathers this information and does not mind.

12. Discuss and Consider – Invoices and Timesheets

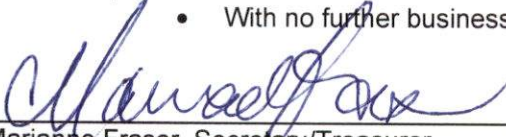
- Motion was made by Hatch Smith and seconded by Pat McDowell to approve the check and timesheet as presented.
- Motion was approved unanimously.

13. Reports

- No reports.

14. Adjourn

- With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:28 PM.



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Marianne Fraser, Secretary/Treasurer  
Llano Economic Development Corporation