

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION OF CLARK COUNTY
July 29, 2008
MINUTES

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: EUODIAS GOZA, CONNER ELDRIDGE,
BECKY JESTER, RANDY SORRELLS,
FRANCES NELSON

ADVISORY BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: PHIL BALDWIN, TOM
CALHOON, JUDGE DANIELL,
DAMON DANIELS, ROSBORO
HENDRIX, WENDELL, BILLY
BUNN, KETCHUM, RICKY
NORTON, JOYCE PALLA, LEWIS
SHEPHERD, BILL WRIGHT,
KELLI LANCASTER, STEVE
ORSBURN, RANDY TURNER,
JIMMY BOLT, TOMMY
ROEBUCK, JOHNNIE ROEBUCK,
BILLY TARPLEY, SEN. MALONE

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: SHERRY KELLEY (father's death),
CLOYD RUNYAN

OTHERS PRESENT: PAUL HARVEL, BARBARA
HARVEL, SHAWNIE CARRIER,
FLAVE CARPENTER, JR.,
SHEILA POUNDERS, BRENDA
HOGG

Meeting called to order at 5:35 by EDCCC Chairman Euodias Goza.

Motion by Conner Eldridge/second by Frances Nelson to accept the minutes as e-mailed. Motion approved.

Chairman Goza asked for Committee reports:

Financial Report was presented by Randy Turner. Motion by Randy Sorrells with second by Becky Jester to accept the financial report as presented. Motion approved.

Site Selection Committee/no report
Marketing committee /no report

Other reports: Bill Wright gave report on the need of an existing industry. Petit Jean Poultry was in need of a water filtration system. Mr. Wright reported that employees of

the plant have lost up to \$16,000.00 in one day due to the plant shutting down to fix problems with “turbidity.” When Arkadelphia flush the fire hydrants, the water lines in the city and surrounding communities are “thumped,” and this causes a cloudiness in the water called turbidity. There is nothing harmful about the water condition but when the plant detects turbidity in the water, they have to shut down due to the U.S. Dept. of Agriculture strict standards on water clarity. When the plant shuts down, employees are sent home and the employees lose wages. The installation of the new filter system would keep turbidity from reaching the plant. Mr. Wright recommended to the EDCCC board that we use funds to purchase the filter to preserve jobs in an existing industry which is one of the objectives for which the corporation is responsible.

Motion made by Becky Jester/second by Nelson to purchase the filter system. Motion was approved.

Chairman Goza then introduced Paul Harvel who presided over the remaining meeting. Mr. Harvel asked Dr. Kluck to give a brief update on a special project that he had submitted a proposal on.

Other business: Mr. Harvel talked about consultants, networking, marketing, and upcoming events.

Rep. Roebuck updated the group on a legislative committee meeting that would be held in Arkadelphia on August 18th & 19th. The group would be staying at the lodge and meeting at Henderson State University.

Motion made by Conner Eldridge/second by Jester to adjourn meeting. Motion approved. Meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m.