

**Economic Development Corporation of Clark County
October 23rd Meeting Minutes**

EDCCC BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Euodias Goza, Becky Jester, Conner Eldridge, Randy Sorrells, & Frances Nelson

EDCCC Advisory Board Members present: Damon Daniels, Billy Bunn, Phil Baldwin, Randy Turner, Tom Calhoun, Wendell Ketchum, Wesley Kluck, Billy Tarpley, Ron Daniell, Sherry Kelley, Tommy Roebuck, Randy Stewart, and Bill Wright.

Members not present: Lewis Shepherd, Joyce Palla, Ricky Norton, Rosboro Hendrix, Percy Malone, Johnnie Roebuck

Meeting called to order by Chairman Goza at 5:30 p.m.

MOTION by Conner Eldridge to approve the September 20th minutes as e-mailed; seconded by Becky Jester. Minutes approved.

Random selection of Advisory Board Member terms:

Phil Baldwin	3
Billy Bunn	4
Tom Calhoun	4
Judge Daniell	n/a
Damon Daniels	1
Rosboro Hendrix	2
Sherry Kelly	3
Wendell Ketchum	1
Wesley Kluck	5
Senator Malone	n/a
Ricky Norton	2
Joyce Palla	2
Rep. Roebuck	n/a
Tommy Roebuck	1
Lewis Shepherd	5
Rep. Stewart	n/a
Billy Tarpley	3
Randy Turner	5
Bill Wright	4

Budget committee report presented by budget committee. Randy Turner served as spokesperson and presented the overview. After much discussion, a motion by **RANDY SORRELLS**; seconded by **CONNER ELDRIDGE** to approve the budget as presented. The board voted unanimously to approve the budget. The advisory board also unanimously voted to approve the budget.

Search committee report presented by Conner Eldridge. At the time of meeting, only 5 applications had been received with 2 others planning to submit.

Office sub-committee report presented by committee. Sherry Kelly gave an over-view of the committee's findings. The sub-committee consists of Sherry Kelly, Tom Calhoun, and Wendell Ketchum. They had looked at several locations to house the office of the EDCCC executive director & staff. The committee recommended the old post office building space owned by Bunn Properties. Billy Bunn is an advisory board member but had no dealings with the sub-committee. Mr. Bunn **ABSTAINED** from DISCUSSION and VOTING. A motion by Conner Eldridge with second by Frances Nelson to accept the committee's recommendation to enter into a lease agreement with Bunn Properties by November 1, 2007.

OTHER BUSINESS:

EDCCC Chairman Goza appointed all members to a sub-committee. The EDCCC Committee Structure is listed below:

Budget & Finance

Conner Eldridge
Randy Turner
Joyce Palla
Phil Baldwin

Public Relation & Marketing

Becky Jester
Billy Tarpley
Wesley Kluck
Sherry Kelly

Government Affairs

Phil Baldwin

Tommy Roebuck
Bill Wright
Senator Percy Malone
State Rep. Johnnie Roebuck
State Rep. Randy Stewart
County Judge Ron Daniels
Site Planning & Selection

Tom Calhoon
Billy Bunn
Wendell Ketchum
Bill Wright

Public Service
Rosboro Hendrix
Damon Daniels
Randy Sorrells

Industrial Training
Lewis Shepherd
Ricky Norton
Becky Jester

Hospitality
Frances Nelson
Debra Sorrells
Carrie Roberson

No committee may be smaller than three members and no larger than six except the Government Affairs Committee. The Chairman of EDCCC is an Ex-Official member on all committees.

EDCCC Chairman Goza presented the group a draft of the Mission & Vision Statement to read over and e-mail him with additional comments or changes before we will vote to accept.

Mission Statement draft: *The Economic Development Corporation of Clark County (EDCCC) is a not-for-profit organization that is charged with directing the economic growth for Clark County.*

The mission of the Economic Development Corporation of Clark County (EDCCC) is to secure opportunities for job creation with existing industries to foster economic growth in Clark County.

Vision Statement draft: *The Economic Development Corporation of Clark County seeks to create an exciting and vibrant 21st century business environment focused on technology, manufacturing, and value added forestry and both traditional and non-traditional small business expansion. The corporation will promote a diverse economy that strengthens and expands existing business and attracts new businesses to the area.*

Final item of business: Administer the oath of office to each director. The swearing in was done by Judge Randy Hill along with the signing of oath forms.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

**EDCCC CALL MEETING RE-CAP
OCTOBER 26TH 2007**

4:00 P.M.

**SOUTHWEST ARKANSAS TECHNOLOGY CENTER
640 SOUTH 6TH STREET
ARKADELPHIA, AR 71923**

EDCCC VOTING BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: EUDIOAS GOZA, FRANCES NELSON, RANDY SORRELLS, AND BECKY JESTER (VIA CONFERENCE CALL).

Conner Eldridge was standing by for the conference call but due to technical difficulties, we only had one phone line. There was no phone in the meeting room so we used the Chairman's cell phone to contact Becky Jester. Mr. Eldridge had visited with Mr. Mathis and was in agreement with the call meeting.

ADVISORY BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: WESLEY KLUCK, PERCY MALONE, TOMMY ROEBUCK, BILL WRIGHT, WENDELL KETCHUM, JUDGE RON DANIELL

GUESTS PRESENT: DAN MARSH, MRS. SORRELLS, RANDALL MATHIS

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY EDCCC CHAIRMAN GOZA AT 4:05 P.M.

CHAIRMAN GOZA INTRODUCED OUR GUEST SPEAKER MR. RANDALL MATHIS FROM THE CCIC. MR. MATHIS MADE A REQUEST FOR FUNDING ON BEHALF OF ALUMACRAFT BOAT MANUFACTURING COMPANY, HIGHWAY 67 NORTH IN ARKADELPHIA. THE COMPANY RECENTLY HIRED 20 ADDITIONAL EMPLOYEES AND HAD TO MAKE ANOTHER PARKING AREA FOR THEM. THE COMPANY WILL BE RECEIVING \$72,000.00 IN STATE FUNDING FOR THE PROJECT BUT FAILED TO INCLUDE THE COST FOR CURBS AND DRAINAGE COST. THE ENGINEER'S ESTIMATED COST FOR THE TOTAL PROJECT WOULD BE \$90,635.00 AND THEY NEEDED \$18,635.00 TO ADD TO THE STATE FUNDING. THE COMPANY PLANS TO HIRE AN ADDITIONAL 8 EMPLOYEES WITHIN 24 MONTHS.

VOTING BOARD MEMBER RANDY SORRELLS MADE THE MOTION TO FUND \$18,635.00 TO ALUMACRAFT. FRANCES NELSON SECONDED THE MOTION. GOZA, NELSON, SORRELLS VOTED IN FAVOR OF THE MOTION AND BECKY JESTER VOTED IN FAVOR OF THE MOTION VIA PHONE. CONNER ELDRIDGE WAS IN FAVOR OF THE MOTION BUT DUE TO TECHNICAL DIFFICULTIES, WE COULDN'T HAVE HIM ON THE LINE. IT WAS UNANIMOUS DECISION TO HELP ALUMACRAFT.

MEETING WAS ADJOURNED.

Economic Development Corporation of Clark County
Board of Directors Agenda
November 27, 2007

1. Call to Order
2. Approval of Board Minutes
3. Randall Mathis- CCIC
4. Todd Turner –Freedom of Information Act
5. Committee Reports
6. Other Business
 - A. EDCCC Mission & Vision Statement
7. Adjourn

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