



## MINUTES

**SEPTEMBER 22, 2015**

**11:30 A.M.**

The Board of Directors of the TexAmericas Center met to conduct business at the Nash, Texas City Hall – White Training Facility, 119 Elm Street, Nash, Bowie, TX 75569 on September 22, 2015.

1. The Directors and public began to assemble at 11:30 a.m. while lunch was served. The meeting was called to order at 12:02 p.m. by Denis Washington, Chairman of the Board, who certified that the meeting was properly posted, being held in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act and that a quorum was present.

2. The Pledge of Allegiance and Reflection were led by Scott Norton.

3. **Directors in attendance were:**

Denis Washington	Gabe Tarr	Boyd Sartin	Don Morriss
Ron Collins	Ben King	Jim Roberts	Justin Powell
Melford Pierce	Cody Lorange	Fred Norton	Marc Reiter
Billy Sams	Glenda Wilson		

**Directors Absent:**

Mike Brock

**Staff and others in attendance were:**

Scott Norton	Eric Voyles	Marla Byrd	Greg Pardue
Eli Hunt	Holly Sleek	Wes Jordan Jordan Law Firm	David Williams MTG Engineers
Greg Bischof Texarkana Gazette	Charley Kingery The Wieland-Davco Corp.	Carl Herberg Kingwood Forestry Services	

4. Denis Washington called for public comments. Members of the public may speak on any topic. Comments are limited to 5 minutes per speaker. None noted.

5. Denis Washington asked for reports from the standing Committees of TexAmericas Center. Committees that met since the last board meeting are:

- a. Investment/Finance
- b. Executive

No further comments noted.

6. Considered and took action upon **Resolution #20150922-01** approving **Fiscal Year 2015 Budget Revision**. A motion was made by Don Morriss and seconded by Boyd Sartin. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.
7. Considered and took action upon **Resolution #20150922-02** approving the **Fiscal Year 2016 General Fund Budget** for TexAmericas Center. A motion was made by Don Morriss and seconded by Boyd Sartin. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.
8. Considered and took action upon **Resolution #20150922-03** approving the **Fiscal Year 2016 Enterprise Fund Budget** for TexAmericas Center. A motion was made by Boyd Sartin and seconded by Ron Collins. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.
9. A motion was made by Ron Collins and seconded by Ben King to approve items listed und the Consent Agenda. Those items were:
  - a. Approved Minutes of Board Meeting from August 25, 2015.
  - b. Approved General Fund Check Book Register and Deposits Summary from August 21, 2015 – September 10, 2015.
  - c. Approved Enterprise Fund Check Book Register and Deposits Summary from August 21, 2015 – September 10, 2015.
  - d. Considered and took action upon **Resolution #20150922-04** authorizing the Executive Director/CEO to approve the **TexAmericas Center Investment Policy**.
  - e. Considered and took action upon **Resolution #20150922-05** authorizing the Executive Director/CEO to execute a contract with **Holliday, Lemons and Cox, P.C.** for professional accounting services for FY2016.
  - f. Considered and took action upon **Resolution #20150922-06** authorizing the Executive Director/CEO to execute a contract with the **Jordan Law Firm** for professional legal services for FY2016.
  - g. Considered and took action upon **Resolution #20150922-07** authorizing the Executive Director/CEO to execute a contract with **Garrity and Knisely** for professional BRAC-related legal services for FY2016.
  - h. Considered and took action upon **Resolution #20150922-08** authorizing the Executive Director/CEO to execute a professional services contract with **McWilliams Governmental Affairs Consultants** for governmental communications services for FY2016.
  - i. Considered and took action upon **Resolution #20150922-09** authorizing the Executive Director/CEO to execute a professional engineering services agreement with **MTG Engineers and Surveyors** for FY2016.
  - j. Considered and took action upon **Resolution #20150922-10** authorizing the Executive Director/CEO to enter into a contract with **DVLS Public Relations and Advertising** to provide professional marketing services for FY2016.
  - k. Considered and took action upon **Resolution #20150922-11** authorizing the Executive Director/CEO to execute a contract and work order with **Kingwood Forestry Services, Inc.** for certain forestry management services for FY2016.
  - l. Considered and took action upon **Resolution #20150922-12** authorizing the Executive Director/CEO to enter into a contract with **ETTL Engineers and Consultants** to provide professional geotechnical services for FY2016.
  - m. Considered and took action upon **Resolution #20150922-13** authorizing the Executive Director/CEO to enter into a professional services agreement with **Hayes Engineering** for professional engineering services for FY2016.

- n. Considered and took action upon **Resolution #20150922-14** authorizing the Executive Director/CEO to enter into a professional services agreement with **CLB Engineers, Inc.** for professional engineering services for FY2016.
  - o. Considered and took action upon **Resolution #20150922-15** authorizing the Executive Director/CEO to enter into a professional services agreement with **Stokes & Associates** for professional engineering services for FY2016.
  - p. Considered and took action upon **Resolution #20150922-16** authorizing the Executive Director/CEO to extend a professional services agreement with **Valley View Consulting, LLC.**
  - q. Considered and took action upon **Resolution #20150922-17** authorizing the Executive Director/CEO to enter into a **Marketing and Consulting Agreement with Point Trade Services, Inc.**
  - r. Considered and took action upon **Resolution #20150922-18** authorizing the Executive Director/CEO to enter into contract for professional consulting and marketing services with **World Economic Development Alliance (WEDA).**
  - s. Considered and took action upon **Resolution #20150922-19** accepting the **2016 Water Rate and True Up** with the City of Texarkana, Texas.
10. Considered and took action upon **Resolution #20150922-20** authorizing the Executive Director/CEO to enter into a professional services agreement with **KSA Engineers** for professional engineering services for FY2016. A motion was made by Gabe Tarr and seconded by Cody Lorange. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.
11. Considered and took action upon **Resolution #20150922-21** authorizing the Executive Director/CEO to execute a **proposal/agreement with Cloud Nine Solutions to implement a Customer Relationship Management Software subscription service.** A motion was made by Boyd Sartin and seconded by Gabe Tarr. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.
12. Considered and took action upon **Resolution #20150922-22** authorizing the Executive Director/CEO to execute a **construction contract with H.E. Wright & Co., Inc. for remodel of Maintenance Shop and IWWTP (Buildings 164, 354, 355 and 361A) in the amount of \$67,947.00.** A motion was made by Don Morriss and seconded by Boyd Sartin. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.
13. Considered and took action upon **Resolution #20150922-23** authorizing the Executive Director/CEO to execute a **Line of Credit Note to Guaranty Bank & Trust in the amount of \$1,500,000.00.** A motion was made by Ron Collins and seconded by Ben King. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.
14. Considered and took action upon **Resolution #20150922-24** authorizing the Executive Director/CEO to **amend the Personnel Policy Manual.** A motion was made by Gabe Tarr and seconded by Ron Collins the motion carried unanimously by voice vote.
15. Considered and took action upon **Resolution #20150922-25** authorizing the Executive Director/CEO to execute a **hunting license for hunting areas numbers one through nine.** A motion was made by Don Morriss and seconded by Gabe Tarr. Cody Lorange abstained from the vote, otherwise, the motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

16. A motion was made by Boyd Sartin and seconded by Gabe Tarr to adjourn to Executive Session pursuant to the following Sections at 12:40 p.m. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.
  - a. Section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code; Consultation with attorney regarding legal issues relating to pending or contemplated litigation.
  - b. Section 551.072 of the Texas Government Code; Deliberation of the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property.
  - c. Section 551.074 of the Texas Government Code; Personnel Matters.
  - d. Section 551.087 of the Texas Government Code; Deliberation regarding Economic Development Negotiations.
17. A motion was made by Gabe Tarr and seconded by Justin Powell to reconvene to Open Session at 1:08 p.m. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.
18. Considered and took action upon **Resolution #20150922-26** authorizing the Executive Director/CEO to execute a modification and lease extension for office and warehouse space with **Control Concepts at 125 Ammo Drive, New Boston, TX 75570**. A motion was made by Gabe Tarr and seconded by Don Morriss. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.
19. Considered and took action upon **Resolution #20150922-27** authorizing the Executive Director/CEO to execute a modification and lease extension for office and warehouse space with **Four Thirteen, Inc. at 170 and 176 Arkansas Avenue, New Boston, TX 75570**. A motion was made by Justin Powell and seconded by Boyd Sartin. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.
20. Considered and took action upon **Resolution #20150922-28** authorizing the Executive Director/CEO to execute a lease modification for office space with **Matrix Environmental Services at 253 Oak Street, Hooks, TX 75561**. A motion was made by Melford Pierce and seconded by Ben King. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.
21. Considered and took action upon **Resolution #20150922-29** authorizing the Chairman of the Board to negotiate and execute **Amendment One to Management and Personal Services Contract with William Scott Norton to serve as Executive Director/CEO**. A motion was made by Ron Collins and seconded by Gabe Tarr. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.
22. With no other business to discuss, a motion was made by Gabe Tarr and seconded by Boyd Sartin to adjourn the meeting at 1:13 p.m. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

The above and foregoing minutes of the TexAmericas Center Board of Directors meeting, September 22, 2015 were read and approved on October 27, 2015.

  
Denis Washington, Chairman of the Board

  
Boyd Sartin, Secretary/Treasurer