



MINUTES

The Board of Directors of TexAmericas Center met to conduct business at the Nash, Texas City Hall – Training Facility, 119 Elm Street, Nash, Texas 75569 on January 24, 2017.

1. The Directors and public began to assemble at 11:30 a.m. while lunch was served. The meeting was called to order at 12:05 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	Boyd Sartin	Melford Pierce	Gabe Tarr
Ron Collins	Don Morriss	Ben King	Jim Roberts
Justin Powell	Cody Lorange	Fred Norton	Vickie Higgins

Directors Absent were:

Mike Brock	Marc Reiter	Steve Mayo
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Staff and Others in attendance were:

Scott Norton	Marla Byrd	Eric Voyles	Wes Jordan Jordan Law Firm
David Williams MTG Engineers	Robbin Bass Cong. John Ratcliffe's Office	Judge James Carlow Bowie County Judge	Jeannette Baker Member of the Public

4. Denis Washington called for public comments. Members of the public may speak on any topic. Comments are limited to 5 minutes per speaker. Jeannette Baker, member of the public, spoke and had some questions for the board members.
5. Denis Washington called for reports from the standing Committees of TexAmericas Center. No Committees had met since the last board meeting.
6. A motion was made by Don Morriss and seconded by Ron Collins to approve the items listed under the Consent Agenda. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Those items were:
 - a. Approved Minutes of Board Meeting from November 22, 2016.
 - b. Approved Check Book Register and Deposit Summary from November 15, 2016 – January 18, 2017.
7. Steve Mayo was absent; therefore, there was no report regarding regional water at this meeting.

8. Considered and took action upon **Resolution #20170124-01 authorizing an Interlocal Agreement by and between TexAmericas Center and Bowie County, Texas to provide for Health Insurance Coverage for Employees of TexAmericas Center.** A motion was made by Gabe Tarr and seconded by Melford Pierce. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.
9. Considered and took action upon **Resolution #20170124-02 ratifying the application of the Environmental Protection Agency's FY17 Brownfields Cleanup Grants for Building F-15.** A motion was made by Ron Collins and seconded by Gabe Tarr. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.
10. Considered and took action upon **Resolution #20170124-03 ratifying the application of the Environmental Protection Agency's FY17 Brownfields Cleanup Grants for Building I-5.** A motion was made by Don Morriss and seconded by Ron Collins. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.
11. Considered and took action upon **Resolution #20170124-04 ratifying the application of the Environmental Protection Agency's FY17 Brownfields Cleanup Grants for Building I-9.** 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 #20170124-05 authorizing the Executive Director/CEO to apply for grants and other incentives for further economic development.** A motion was made by Boyd Sartin and seconded by Melford Pierce. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.
13. Considered and took action upon **Resolution #20170124-06 authorizing the Executive Director/CEO to select and execute a contract for Economic Development Services.** A motion was made by Melford Pierce and seconded by Gabe Tarr. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.
14. Scott Norton presented the Executive Director/CEO Report.
15. A motion was made by Ben King and seconded by Boyd Sartin to adjourn to Executive Session at 12:36 p.m. pursuant to the following Sections. 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.
16. A motion was made by Gabe Tarr and seconded by Melford Pierce to reconvene into Open Session at 1:15 p.m. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.
17. Considered and took action upon **Resolution #20170124-07 authorizing the Executive Director/CEO to execute a lease agreement with VSE Corporation for building 154 Service Street, New Boston, TX 75570 upon the TAC-Central campus.** A motion was made by Justin Powell and seconded by Jim Roberts. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

18. Considered and took action upon **Resolution #20170124-08** authorizing the Executive Director/CEO to execute a license agreement with the Hooks Youth Sports Association for use of the baseball/softball field near the old main gate to the former Lone Star Army Ammunition Plant. A motion was made by Gabe Tarr and seconded by Ben King. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.
19. Considered and took action upon **Resolution #20170124-09** authorizing the Executive Director/CEO to execute a contract for Engineering and Technical Services with Olsson Associates. A motion was made by Melford Pierce and seconded by Don Morriss. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.
20. Considered and took action upon **Resolution #20170124-10** authorizing the Executive Director/CEO to amend the Authorization Statue of TexAmericas Center. A motion was made by Boyd Sartin and seconded by Don Morriss. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.
21. Considered and took action upon **Resolution #20170124-11** authorizing the Executive Director/CEO to execute a pipeline development agreement, franchise agreement, right of way and easement, and special warranty deed for the development of a natural gas pipeline system by Navitas Utility Texas, LLC and Navitas Utility Corporation. A motion was made by Gabe Tarr and seconded by Ben King. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

With no other business to discuss, a motion was made by Boyd Sartin and seconded by Gabe Tarr to adjourn the meeting at 1:18 p.m. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

The above and foregoing minutes of TexAmericas Center Board of Directors meeting, January 24, 2017 were read and approved on February 28, 2017.



Melford Pierce, Secretary