



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 February 28, 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	Gabe Tarr	Melford Pierce	Ron Collins
Don Morriss	Ben King (12:50)	Jim Roberts	Justin Powell
Mike Brock	Marc Reiter	Steve Mayo	Vickie Higgins

Directors Absent were:

Boyd Sartin	Cody Lorance	Fred Norton
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Staff and Others in Attendance were:

Scott Norton	Marla Byrd	Eric Voyles	Holly Sleek
Mickey Carroll	Rhonda Jones Holliday, Lemons & Cox, PC	Judge James Carlow Bowie Co. Judge	David Williams MTG Engineers
Wes Jordan Jordan Law Firm	Deane Foote Foote Consulting Group, LLC	Jack Allston JBA & Associates	Teresa Nortillo StateBook Intl.
Aidan Cruickshank StateBook Intl.	Greg Bischof Texarkana Gazette		

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. Deane Foote with Foote Consulting Group and Jack Allston with JBA & Associates gave a brief presentation regarding their initial site selection services for TexAmericas Center.
6. Denis Washington called for report from the standing Committees of TexAmericas Center. Committees that met since the last board meeting were:
 - a. Environmental - Justin Powell commented he wanted to commend Scott and staff for communicating with the State/Army and keeping compliance calendar current.

- b. Infrastructure, Real Estate, Marketing & Business Development
- c. Executive
- d. Investment/Finance

7. A motion was made by Don Morriss and seconded by Melford Pierce 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 January 24, 2017.
 - b. Approved Check Book Register and Deposit Summary from January 19, 2017 – February 22, 2017.
 - c. Considered and took action upon **Resolution #20170228-01** approving the **Fiscal Year 2017 1st Quarter Scrap and Timber Sales Report**.
 - d. Considered and took action upon **Resolution #20170228-02** approving the **Fiscal Year 2016 4th Quarter Revised Investment Report**.
 - e. Considered and took action upon **Resolution #20170228-03** approving the **Fiscal Year 2017 1st Quarter Investment Report**.
8. Considered and took action upon **Resolution #20170228-04** approving the **Fiscal Year 2017 1st Quarter Financials**. A motion was made by Justin Powell and seconded by Jim Roberts. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.
9. Steve Mayo presented a report regarding regional water.
10. Scott Norton discussed water/sewer rate changes proposed by Riverbend Water Resources District.
11. Considered and took action upon **Resolution #20170228-05** authorizing the Executive Director/CEO to execute a contract with Weyerhaeuser Co., for the lump sum sale of approximately 48.0 acres of forest products in the amount of \$100,395.80 upon Buckeye Road-TAC East Campus. A motion was made by Ron Collins and seconded by Melford Pierce. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.
12. Considered and took action upon **Resolution #20170228-06** authorizing the Executive Director/CEO to execute a contract with Matt Raulston Logging for the lump sum sale of approximately 61.5 acres of forest products in the amount of \$146,419.00 upon Hill Road – TAC East Campus. A motion was made by Don Morriss and seconded by Ron Collins. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.
13. Considered and took action upon **Resolution #20170228-07** authorizing the Executive Director/CEO to execute a contract with Bayou State Timber Svc., Inc. for a pay-as-cut sale of for sale of approximately 103.4 acres of forest products upon Cypress Street Tract – TAC East Campus. A motion was made by Marc Reiter and seconded by Ron Collins. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.
14. Considered and took action upon **Resolution #20170228-08** authorizing the Executive Director/CEO to execute a construction contract with RBIS, LLC for sewer infrastructure improvements for Expal USA. A motion was made by Melford Pierce and seconded by Gabe Tarr. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.
15. Scott Norton presented the Executive Director/CEO Report.

16. A motion was made by Melford Pierce and seconded by Justin Powell to adjourn to Executive Session at 12:56 pursuant to the following Sections. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Justin Powell left the meeting at 1:05 p.m.
- 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 Ben King and seconded by Gabe Tarr to reconvene in Open Session at 1:21 p.m. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.
18. Considered and took action upon **Resolution #20170228-09** authorizing the Executive Director/CEO to execute a Franchise Agreement and Bill of Sale from **TexAmericas Center to Network USA, LLC**. A motion was made by Melford Pierce and seconded by Gabe Tarr. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

With no other business to discuss, a motion was made by Don Morriss and seconded by Gabe Tarr to adjourn the meeting at 1:23 p.m. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

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


Melford Pierce, Secretary