

MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 3, 2016  
VERMILION ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT  
REGULAR MEETING

President Pat Rost called the meeting to order at 5:10 PM. The meeting was held in the Judge's Library, on the second floor of the Courthouse in Abbeville, La.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Ms. Pat Rost.

Ms. Pat Rost requested a moment of silence.

A roll call was done by Ms. Gale Smith, with the following members present:

Mr. Richard Guilbeaux, Mr. Paul Bourgeois, Mr. Dane Hebert, Mr. Jacob Landry,  
Ms. Pat Rost, Mr. Ruben Rivera, Ms. Gale Smith, and Mr. Nash Patel

The following members were absent:

Mr. Kevin Sagrera, Mr. Jason Picard, Ms. Sarah Trahan, Mr. Aidan Broussard,  
Mr. Carlton Campbell, and Mr. Kirk Frith

The following guests were present:

Ms. Anne T. Falgout, VEDD, and Ms. Shari Cormier, VEDD

### MINUTES

The minutes of the September 6, 2016 meeting were approved on a motion made by Mr. Dane Hebert, duly seconded by Ms. Gale Smith, and unanimously carried by the board.

### TREASURER'S REPORT

Mr. Ben Rivera gave the Treasurer's Report. He reviewed the September invoices and expenses, totaling \$629.67. Upon motion by Mr. Richard Guilbeaux, duly seconded by Mr. Dane Hebert and unanimously carried, these invoices were approved for payment.

Mr. Richard Guilbeaux suggested that the board open an interest-bearing account to be used for special projects designated by the board. He added that he had already checked with the auditors and the bank about the legality of such an account. Mr. Guilbeaux motioned the board to allow Mr. Ben Rivera the authority to set this account at Vermilion Bank. This motion was seconded by Mr. Paul Bourgeois and unanimously carried.

### OLD BUSINESS

Ms. Anne T. Falgout updated the board on the window clings that were approved at the August meeting. She stated that the company that will be doing the window clings found a better material to use for the project and the prices are still in line with the approved quote. She showed the board copies of the designs and informed the board that they should be ready before October 15<sup>th</sup>.

Ms. Falgout presented information and pricing for the LIDEA Annual Conference. She informed the board that although the pricing includes the hotel stay, she felt she only needed to attend the meetings held on the second day of the conference and could drive to Baton Rouge that morning. Mr. Richard Guilbeaux motioned the board to allow \$250.00 to cover the conference cost and travel cost for Ms. Falgout to attend. Mr. Dane Hebert seconded the motion and it was unanimously carried.

Ms. Falgout updated the board on her presentation at the Maurice council meeting. She stated that she informed the council of our activities and some potential opportunities for the Village of Maurice.

#### NEW BUSINESS

Ms. Pat Rost informed the board of the resignation of its Vice President, Darin Desormeaux and the need to replace him in that position. Mr. Dane Hebert volunteered to take over the position. Mr. Richard Guilbeaux motioned the board to accept Mr. Hebert's appointment to the position of Vice President. This motion was seconded by Mr. Ben Rivera and unanimously carried.

Ms. Anne T. Falgout spoke to the board about a possible Community Competitiveness Event to be held on October 26, 2016. This event would be an opportunity to host Vermilion Economic Development District's stakeholders and present them with VEDD's accomplishments as well as their plans for the future. She presented the board with pricing for the venue and materials. Mr. Paul Bourgeois motioned the board to allow Ms. Falgout to go forward with the plans for the event. This motion was seconded by Mr. Dane Hebert and unanimously carried.

Ms. Falgout informed the board of the receipt of a check from AEDC. This check was a reimbursement for expenses incurred in 2014/2015 and for the Leadership Exchange trip to Charleston, S.C.

Ms. Falgout informed the board of the Taste of Vermilion event that will be held on November 3, 2016. Mr. Nash Patel offered to sponsor a table for the board members to attend.

#### DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Ms. Anne T. Falgout updated the board on the accomplishments made by the VEDD office in the month of September.

#### NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the District is scheduled for Monday, November 7, 2016 at 5:00 PM. in the Judge's Library/Conference Room.

#### ADJOURN

Upon motion by Mr. Ben Rivera, duly seconded by Mr. Paul Bourgeois and unanimously carried, there being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

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Ms. Gale Smith  
Secretary