

**MINUTES OF THE LAMESA ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
& LAMESA ECONOMIC ALLIANCE PROJECT**

REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING on Monday, March 12, 2018 at 5:30 pm

CALL TO ORDER: *Announcement by LEDC/LEAP Board President.* “This meeting is being held in accordance with the provisions of the Texas Open Meetings Act (Govt. Code, Chapter 551). Discussion and actions are limited to the agenda items as posted. Persons desiring to address the LEDC/LEAP Board of Directors or express their opinion about a particular item on this agenda should submit a request at this time. Persons desiring to present other business or discuss matters not on this agenda should submit a request in writing to the Executive Director in order to be considered for inclusion on the agenda of the next meeting. An LEDC quorum being present as evidenced by the presence of 4 members of the LEDC Board of Directors, and a LEAP quorum present as evidenced by 6 members of the LEAP Board of Directors, a joint meeting is hereby called to order.”

1. The following LEDC/LEAP members are present:

LEDC:

JASON ANZALDUA	BOARD MEMBER
BOB HENDERSON	BOARD MEMBER
SCOTT LEONARD	BOARD MEMBER
BRYAN NOWLIN	BOARD MEMBER
SAMMY STEVENS	BOARD MEMBER (Absent)

LEAP:

JASON ANZALDUA	BOARD MEMBER
BOB HENDERSON	BOARD MEMBER
SCOTT LEONARD	BOARD MEMBER
BRYAN NOWLIN	BOARD MEMBER
SAMMY STEVENS	BOARD MEMBER (Absent)
BOBBY GONZALES	BOARD MEMBER
BRIDGETTE KROHN	BOARD MEMBER

NATHAN TAFOYA	LEDC/LEAP EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
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City Staff & Councilor Members present at the meeting:

JOSH STEVENS	MAYOR (Absent)
RUSSELL CASSELBERRY	ATTORNEY
SHAWNA BURKHART	CITY MANAGER

Members of the public and press present at the meeting:

HERREL HALLMARK	LAMESA PRESS REPORTER
SANDRA ADAMS	CHAMBER PRESIDENT
JIM & ANDREA RODRIGUEZ	THE MAKER'S DESIGN LEARNING CENTER

2. a. **INVOCATION:** Given by Bob Henderson
b. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Given by Scott Leonard

3. CONSENT AGENDA:

- a. Minutes February 12, 2018 LEDC/LEAP Joint Regularly Scheduled Meeting
b. Minutes February 20, 2018 LEDC/LEAP Joint Special Called Meeting
c. Bills paid for LEDC and LEAP for month of February

Motion by Board Member Jason Anzaldua to approve consent agenda items a and b and c. Motion seconded by Board Member Bob Henderson and upon being put to a vote the motion passed unanimously.

VOTING: "AYE" 4/6 "NAY" 0 "ABSTAIN" 0

4. FINANCIAL REPORT: Executive Director, Nathan Tafoya presented the financial report.

Motion by Board Member Bryan Nowlin to approve the LEDC/LEAP financial report as presented. Motion seconded by Board Member Bridgette Krohn on and upon being put to a vote the Motion passed unanimously.

VOTING: "AYE" 4/6 "NAY" 0 "ABSTAIN" 0

5. PRESENTATION: Daila McAnally, U.S. Department of Agriculture Rural Development Area Specialist, discussed opportunities available to Lamesa, specifically, the Rural Business Development Grant Revolving Loan Fund.

6. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT: Heard update from LEDC/LEAP Executive Director Nathan Tafoya. No action was taken.

7. EXECUTIVE SESSION: Convened into closed Executive Session for the following purpose(s):

- a. Discuss matters related to ongoing and/or proposed economic development and community development incentive projects
b. Discuss real estate acquisition opportunities

Motion by Board Member Bob Henderson to convene into Executive Session. Motion seconded by Board Member Bryan Nowlin and upon being put to a vote the Motion passed. The Boards convened into Executive Session at 6:20 p.m. and exited Executive Session at 7:44 p.m.

VOTING: "AYE" 4/6 "NAY" 0 "ABSTAIN" 0

8. ACTION: Considered taking action to move forward with a grant application with the U.S. Department of Agriculture

Motion by Board Member Bobby Gonzales to start the USDA Revolving Loan Fund application process in the amount of \$199,000, assign President Scott Leonard as a signatory for any necessary documents, enable Bryan Nowlin and Bob Henderson to work with Executive Director on any necessary loan parameters and loan decisions needed for the application, and to request City Council approval at their next meeting. Motion seconded by Board Member Bryan Nowlin and upon being put to a vote the Motion passed. The Boards convened into Executive Session at 6:20 p.m. and exited Executive Session at 7:44 p.m.

VOTING: "AYE" 4/6 "NAY" 0 "ABSTAIN" 0

9. ACTION: Considered taking action to approve microloan to business located at 1500 N. Bryan Ave. For lack of a motion, the agenda item was passed.

10. ADJOURNMENT: *Announcement by the LEDC/LEAP President (or Proxy)* – "The next regularly scheduled meeting of the LEDC and LEAP Board of Directors will be held **April 9, 2018** in the President's Room of the Lamesa Chamber of Commerce, 123 Main Avenue.

Persons desiring to present business to the LEDC/LEAP Board of Directors at that meeting are directed to submit a request in writing to Nathan Tafoya Executive Director by **Wednesday, April 4, 2018** in order to be included on the agenda."

There being no other business, this meeting is hereby adjourned."

Time Adjourned: __7:47__ p.m.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Secretary

Board President

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