



CITY OF BANDERA

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MINUTES FOR THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BANDERA

THURSDAY APRIL 16, 2020 AT 10:30 AM

THIS MEETING WAS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC VIRTUALLY VIA ZOOM.

1. Call to order.

Mayor Schauman calls the meeting to order at 10:30 am. All councilmembers are present. Also present is City Secretary Jill Shelton and City Administrator.

2. Visitors to be heard. *[Suspended during declared emergency per Governor's order]*

3. Discussion and possible action on the following items:

a. Discussion and possible action for the appointment of Bandera Economic Development Corporation members whose terms have expired according to Section 111: BEDC Board of Directors, 3.02 Term of the Bylaws.

Mayor Schauman explains Council does not have to fill every seat. Councilmember Glenn Clark requests any appointments postponed until a later date because of the pandemic and to let those EDC board members who have been part of the disaster relief program continue to see it through. *Councilmember Glenn Clark then makes a motion to postpone the appointment of new members to the BEDC until the second scheduled meeting in May, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Gibson.* There is discussion about why new members should or should not be appointed to the BEDC. Councilmember Palmer states she will be recusing herself during the vote if she is appointed to the BEDC board. A call for a vote is made. *Councilmember Glenn Clark and Mayor Pro Tem Gibson in favor, Councilmembers Don Clark, Russe and Palmer are opposed. Motion fails.*

Mayor Pro Tem Gibson makes a motion to approve Art Crawford the county seat on the BEDC, seconded by Councilmember Glenn Clark. There is discussion about Mr. Crawford's service on the BEDC and the current projects he is involved in. *Councilmember Glenn Clark and Mayor Pro Tem Gibson in favor, Councilmembers Don Clark, Russe and Palmer are opposed. Motion fails.*

Councilmember Glenn Clark makes a motion to appoint Jerad Wilcox to the County seat on the BEDC, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Gibson. There is discussion about Mr. Wilcox's involvement in the community. *Councilmember Glenn Clark and Mayor Pro Tem Gibson in favor, Councilmembers Don Clark, Russe and Palmer are opposed. Motion fails.*

Mayor Pro Tem Gibson makes a motion to appoint Lynn Palmer, Darcy Hasty and Lee Correll to the three city seats on the BEDC, seconded by Councilmember Glenn Clark. There is extensive discussion about the motion made and Councilmember Palmer recusing herself from the vote. Mayor Schauman calls for a vote. *Mayor Pro Tem Gibson in favor, Councilmembers Don Clark, Glenn Clark and Russe are opposed. Councilmember Palmer recuses. Motion fails.*

Councilmember Palmer makes a motion to appoint Andrea Jankoski to the county seat on the BEDC, seconded by Councilmember Russe. There is extensive discussion about BEDC files being taken from City Hall and the rules regarding that. *Councilmembers Don Clark, Glenn Clark and Russe in favor, Councilmember Glenn Clark and Mayor Pro Tem Gibson are opposed. Motion passes.*

Councilmember Glenn Clark makes a motion to appoint Darcy Hasty to a city seat on the BEDC, seconded by Councilmember Russe. All in favor, none opposed. Motion passes.

Councilmember Russe makes a motion to appoint Lynn Palmer to a city seat on the BEDC, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Gibson. There is discussion about councilmembers holding seats on other boards as well as Councilmembers Palmer past civil service. Councilmembers Russe, Don Clark and Mayor Pro Tem Gibson are in favor, Councilmember Glenn Clark is opposed. Councilmember Palmer recuses herself. Motion passes.

Mayor Pro Tem Gibson makes a motion to appoint Lee Correll to a city seat on the BEDC, seconded by Councilmember Lynn Palmer. Mayor Pro Tem Gibson and Councilmembers Don Clark, Russe and Palmer are in favor. Councilmember Glenn Clark is opposed. Motion passes.

b. Discussion and possible action on a request from BEDC on a budget amendment of \$100,00.00 for COVID-19 disaster relief.

BEDC President Toni Kunz explains which accounts the funds will be coming from. There is discussion about the availability of state and federal funding and the process that businesses would go through to get EDC funding.

Councilmember Russe makes a motion to postpone this item until the next City Council meeting, seconded by Councilmember Palmer. There is discussion about the newly appointed BEDC board members being sworn in and a part of the disaster relief funding decisions. There is discussion about the steps the BEDC has already taken regarding the disaster relief funding. All in favor, none opposed. Motion passes.

c. Discussion and possible action for BEDC to accept applications from businesses within the city for the purpose of distributing 100 individual \$1,000.00 for COVID-19 disaster relief.

Councilmember Glenn Clark makes a motion to table items c, d, and e until the meeting on May 7, 2020, seconded by Councilmember Palmer. There is discussion about tabling items individually so there can be discussion on each item. Councilmembers Don Clark and Glenn Clark are in favor. Councilmembers Russe and Palmer and Mayor Pro Tem Gibson are opposed. Motion fails.

There is discussion about scaling the funds to different businesses instead of a flat rate. There is discussion about the funds available by the BEDC and by the federal and state government.

Mayor Pro Tem Gibson makes a motion to table this item until May 7, 2020, seconded by Councilmember Palmer. All in favor, none opposed. Motion passes.

d. Discussion and possible action for BEDC to remove the qualification restrictions for BEDC and City Council owned businesses (meaning they qualify) for COVID-19 disaster relief.

Councilmember Glenn Clark makes a motion to table, seconded by Councilmember Don Clark. Councilmember Don Clark withdraws his second. Councilmember Glenn Clark withdraws his motion.

Mayor Pro Tem Gibson makes a motion to suspend any local council or EDC ordinance or bylaw prohibiting elected officials or board appointees from applying for or receiving EDC disaster relief stimulus funding when it is established, seconded by Councilmember Russe. There is discussion over the reasons these businesses should or should not receive funding. Councilmember Glenn Clark and Mayor Pro Tem Gibson are in favor. Councilmembers Don Clark, Russe and Palmer are opposed. Motion fails.

e. Discussion and possible action for BEDC to create a simple application specific to the COVID-19 disaster relief.

Councilmember Russe makes a motion to table until May 7, 2020, seconded by Councilmember Don Clark. There is discussion about using the time until the next meeting to create an application for review. All in favor, none opposed. Motion passes.

- f. Second reading of Resolution 2020-001 authorizing a program for certain financial assistance by the Bandera Economic Development Corporation up to an amount to be determined to be distributed as business grants, a line of credit or other financial assistance to be used for employee retention and other eligible expenditures for business located within the City of Bandera, Texas.**

The resolution is read. Councilmember Russe makes a motion to table this item until May 7, 2020, seconded by Councilmember Palmer. All in favor, none opposed. Motion passes.

- g. Approval of \$10,000.00 Performance Grant for TJ's at the Old Forge for 807 Main Street.**

There is clarification on the request from TJ's from the BEDC President. There is discussion about the funds TJ's has already received. Mayor Pro Tem Gibson makes a motion to deny the approval of the \$10,000.00 performance grant, seconded by Councilmember Palmer. There is discussion about the \$18,000.00 they have already received. All in favor, none opposed. Motion passes.

4. Requests and Announcements.

- a. Request by Council to place items on a future agenda.**

Grant projects for TWDB grant funding.

Update on street survey.

Review proposal from Simple City to move forward on the Master Plan.

Review the Code of Ethics and Roberts Rules of Order.

Approve contract with LNV.

- b. Announcements by Council.**

There are no announcements.

5. Adjourn.

The meeting is adjourned at 11:47 am.


Jill Shelton, City Secretary