**Van Alstyne Community Development Corporation**

**Agenda – Regular Board Meeting**

**228 East Marshall**

**Thursday, January 10, 2019 6:30 P.M.**

**A QUORUM OF THE CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS MAY OR MAY NOT BE PRESENT. NO ACTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL WILL BE TAKEN AT THIS MEETING.**

1. **Call to order - Recognition of guest(s)**

**The meeting was called to order at 6:29 p.m. Present were board members Chris Dorak, Alesha Crowell, Wayne Womack, Robert Jaska, Collin Flynn and Mark Rock and Executive Director Rodney Williams. Absent was Robert Lewis.**

**Guests in attendance were Maria Hickson, Lane Jones, Billy Turner and Yolanda Smith-Simpkins.**

**2. Discuss/Action: Façade grant request for Pamela Egner**

 **There was no action taken as applicant was unable to present her request.**

**3. Discuss/Action: Community grant request for CME Church**

**Pastor Yolanda Smith-Simpkins presented her request for Community Grant Program funding to make exterior repairs to the Morning Chapel C.M.E. Church. She stated that the historic building has fallen into a serious state of disrepair. Smith-Simpkins is newly-appointed to the Church and explained that she wishes to build up the congregation and open the Church for more community events but that it is not possible in the current state in which the building exists. She is waiting on two more bids and additional paperwork before the project can be voted on.**

**4. Discuss/Action: Façade and community grant requests for Billy Turner**

**Billy Turner presented two Façade Grant Program requests and one Community Grant Program funding request for newly-purchased property at 242 E. Jefferson, otherwise known as the former City Hall building. Turner explained that one façade grant is for exterior brick and mortar work while the other is for a separate window project. The Community Grant request is to help in roofing the building. Directors went into closed session at 7:18 p.m. to discuss the requests.**

**5. Recess into closed session pursuant to Chapter 551, Texas Government Code for deliberation regarding:**

1. **Sec. 551.087 - to discuss or deliberate regarding commercial or financial information that the governmental body has received from a business prospect that the governmental body seeks to have locate, stay, or expand in or near the territory of the governmental body and with which the governmental body is conducting economic development negotiations;**
2. **Sec. 551.072 – to deliberate the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property if deliberation in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the position of the governmental body in negotiations with a third person.**
3. **Reconvene into open session**

**6. Discuss/Action: Take any action as a result of closed session**

 **The Board reconvened into open session at 7:46 p.m.**

**Collin Flynn made a motion to approve a Façade Grant to Billy Turner in the amount of $5,000 for window replacement as presented in accordance with section 501.103 of the Texas Local Govt. Code relating to site improvements. Alesha Crowell seconded the motion and it passed unanimously, 6-0.**

**Crowell made a motion to approve a Façade Grant to Billy Turner in the amount of $3,025 for brick and mortar and exterior work as presented in accordance with section 501.103 of the Texas Local Govt. Code relating to site improvements. Mark Rock seconded the motion and it passed, 6-0.**

**Wayne Womack made a motion to approve the Community Grant to Billy Turner in the amount of $9,000 as requested. The motion died for a lack of a second.**

**7. Discuss/Action: Approval of minutes from December 6 special called meeting**

**Robert Jaska made a motion to approve the minutes as presented with a second from Mark Rock. The motion passed 5-0.**

**8. Discuss/Action: Treasurer’s report**

**Robert Jaska made a motion to approve the Treasurer’s report as presented with a second from Alesha Crowell. The motion passed 5-0.**

**9. Discuss/Action: Director’s report**

 **Rodney Williams presented his director’s report.**

**10. Discuss/Action: Annual ICSC conference attendance**

**Wayne Womack made a motion to approve Executive Director Rodney Williams to attend the annual ICSC ReCon conference. Robert Jaska seconded the motion and it passed, 6-0.**

**11. Discuss/Action: New downtown banners**

**City Manager Lane Jones discussed funding for new, larger downtown light post banners with messaging as determined by VACDC.**

**12. Discuss/Action: New billboard messaging**

**Rodney Williams updated the Board on the newly-installed CDC billboard north of town. Board President Chris Dorak discussed future messaging options touting community events and businesses and the school district.**

**13. Discuss/Action: Update on projects: a) railcar renovation; b) East Field restroom facilities**

 **Rodney Williams informed the Board that all that remains to be done on the railcar is gold striping and the boxcar will be complete. There was no update on the East Field restroom facilities.**

**14. Closing comments**

 **There were no closing comments.**

**15. Adjourn**

 **The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 p.m.**

**Respectfully submitted by Rodney Williams**