**Van Alstyne Economic Development Corporation**

**Minutes – Regular Board Meeting**

**228 E. Marshall St.**

**Thursday, September 8, 2022**

**To begin following culmination of Van Alstyne CDC Meeting**

**A QUORUM OF THE CITY COUNCIL MAY OR MAY NOT BE PRESENT. NO VOTES OR OTHER ACTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL WILL BE TAKEN AT THIS MEETING. VISITORS WISHING TO SPEAK MUST BE RECOGNIZED BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD AND LIMIT COMMENTS TO 2 MINUTES.**

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

 **The meeting was called to order at 7:43 p.m.**

**Present were board members Dee Greve, Brad Clough, David Sileven, Alesha Crowell, Sherry Jeffcoat, Mark Moss and Executive Director Rodney Williams. Absent was Robert Jaska.**

**Guest present was Dustin Langton.**

1. **Public comments on agenda items**

**There were no public comments.**

1. **Approval of minutes from previous special called meeting held on August 11, 2022**

 **Brad Clough made a motion to approve the minutes. Dee Greve seconded the motion and it passed, 6-0.**

1. **Treasurer’s Report**

**Rodney Williams presented the treasurer’s report. Dee Greve made a motion to approve the report as presented with a second from Alesha Crowell. The motion passed, 6-0.**

1. **Discuss/Action: Billboard usage/reimbursement with VACDC**

 **Rodney Williams presented billboard options for the EDC. Williams stated that the EDC could lease the CDC billboards. No action was taken.**

1. **Discuss/Action: Property Letter of Intent form**

 **Rodney Williams presented a property letter of intent form as drafted by EDC attorney Ryan Pittman. The form would provide more security in initial land deals. The Board requested no changes to the letter.**

1. **Discuss/Action: Executive Director training and conference attendance**

 **Rodney Williams presented to the Board the Oklahoma University Economic Development Institute for training. Williams stated that it is an intensive course requiring 117 hours to complete and could begin as early as October, though a spring start is an option. David Sileven stated that he is in favor of more training for the executive director and wanted to make sure with Williams competing the Community Development Institute training in the coming months that it wasn’t too much at the same time. Williams was asked to find out if all costs were due up front as it pertains to the new budget. Williams stated that he would find out about the cost and see if the October or spring schedule would fit him best. He was asked to email the Board with whatever he decided.**

 **Williams also presented the 2023 PlasticsWest convention in Anaheim, CA set for February 7-9. Williams stated that he had been invited as part of the Texas team attending with Oncor. Williams informed the Board that the convention is more than just plastics companies and that a variety of different industries would be present. Williams stated the cost to attend is $1,000 plus travel expenses and discussed how this would fit into the budget.**

 **Alesha Crowell made a motion to approve the request to attend the conference with a second from Sherry Jeffcoat. The motion passed, 6-0.**

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

**Rodney Williams presented his report of the previous month’s activities.**

1. **Recess into closed session pursuant to Chapter 551, Texas Government Code regarding:**
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**
4. **Discuss/Action: Take any action as a result of closed session**

**Brad Clough made a motion to direct Rodney Williams to negotiate real estate property at the amount discussed. Alesha Crowell seconded the motion and it passed, 6-0.**

1. **Closing comments**

 **Rodney Williams thanked Mark Moss for his active years of service and his commitment to the corporations.**

 **David Sileven thanked Mark Moss and presented him with a token of appreciation from the Board.**

1. **Adjourn**

 **Mark Moss made a motion to adjourn with a second from Brad Clough. The motion passed, 6-0.**

**Respectfully submitted by Rodney Williams**