

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Directors of Jasper County Development District No.1 will hold a special meeting on Thursday, August 16, 2018, at 10:00 a.m. at the Rayburn Club House, 212 Country Club Drive, Brookeland, Jasper County, Texas, inside the boundaries of the District, to discuss and if appropriate, act upon the following items:

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Certification of meeting notice

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

2. Approval of minutes from March 14, 2018

FINANCIAL REPORT

3. Financial report

PAYMENT OF BILLS

4. Reimburse Director Collins for postage
5. Reimburse Director Meaux for flowers at Ed Few service

ACTION ITEMS

6. Consideration of funding request from Rayburn Realty
7. Consideration of Regional Recreational Project Funding
8. Consideration of funding request from Jasper Chamber of Commerce
9. FLW Contract for January 2019 clarification of Marshals
10. Request from Outlaw Outdoors Fishing Funding
11. Consideration of funding request from Texas Team Trail
12. Consideration of funding request from Cabela's Collegiate Tournament
13. Consideration of signage at Umphrey Pavilion
14. Consideration for funding from Sealy Outdoors for two tournaments
15. Consideration for funding Keith Combs tournament.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

16. Other items that may be presented
17. Adjournment

MINUTES OF JASPER COUNTY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT NO. 1
August 16, 2018

The Board of Directors of the Jasper County Development District No. 1 (the District) held a special meeting, open to the public, on August 16, 2018, at 10 a.m. at the Rayburn Clubhouse, 212 Country Club Blvd., Brookeland, Texas, inside the boundaries of the District, and the roll was called of the duly appointed members of the Board.

Members Present

Gary Collins Present
Brent Meaux Present
Randall Dally Present
Charles Burke Absent
Molly Thacker Present

Others in attendance were: Ray Beck, Southeast Texas High School Fishing, Pavilion Board; Mike Taylor, Stump Restaurant; Bob and Nicole Sealy, Sealy Outdoors; Shane Campbell, Tackle Addict; Brenda and Sam Job, Rayburn Realty and Chamber of Commerce; Jessica Poindexter, Rayburn Realty; Bob Mayhar, Chamber of Commerce; Beverly Holley, Chamber of Commerce; Tony and Kate Acosta, KOA Campground; and Taylor Jones, Dam B State Park.

CONSENT AGENDA

CERTIFICATION OF PUBLIC NOTICE

President Collins presented the Board with the public notice certification indicating the time, date, meeting place and agenda to be considered by the Board. The agenda was posted on the JCDD web site, at the Jasper County Court House, Piney Point Plaza Post Office and Rayburn Clubhouse.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The minutes March 14, 2018 were approved as submitted.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

A formal financial report was not presented, but Director Collins mentioned to the Board that the deposits in the Southside Bank totaled over \$170,000 and the investment pool still had approximately \$63,000 invested in interest bearing accounts. The request before the Board this meeting could total as high as \$140,000. The bookkeeper was not requested to submit a formal financial statement at this meeting because balances were checked through the Internet.

PAYMENT OF BILLS:

Director Collins presented the Board with a bill for postage of \$6.59 from January 2018 to July 2018.

Director Meaux presented the Board with a \$50 bill for flowers for former Director Ed Few's funeral service.

The Consent Agenda items were approved on a motion by Director Dally with a second from Director Thacker with a unanimous vote of the Board. On items involving reimbursement of funds to Director Collins and Director Meaux, each abstained on the items pertaining to that individual.

ACTION ITEMS

FLW Tournament Clarification: A conference call was conducted with Chris Hoover, tournament director, regarding the change from a co-angler arrangement to a Marshal system during their January tournament. The package arrangement regarding the total number of fishermen and participants along with the time schedule requiring their attendance in the Rayburn area. After clarification that the numbers of participants would not be drastically reduced, the Board took no action to amend the previously approved FLW request and contract.

Consideration of creation of a Regional Recreational Project: Brenda Job of the Chamber was present to present plans for the creation of a Regional Recreational Project that would involve an investment of \$15,000 each from the City of Jasper, Jasper County, Jasper Economic Development (JEDCO) and the Jasper County Development District. The total of \$60,000 would be used for promoting recreational activities, besides fishing, within a County and Regional area. A lengthy discussion followed focusing on possible activities along with accountability for the money donated. After several items were clarified, the Board encumbered the \$15,000 requested waiting for specific information on how the money would be spent, the accounting process, and paid as expenses were incurred and invoices submitted in detail. Director Meaux made the motion with a second from Director Thacker with a unanimous vote of the Board.

Consideration from Rayburn Realty on signage expense: Brenda Job then made a request of the Board to fund the signage on Hwy. 96 and Hwy. 63 for businesses as the total number permitted is 6 on FM 255, and Brenda is asking for 3, in the amount of \$3,000 yearly with a maximum of \$6,000 yearly. This would be a reoccurring yearly budget expense. The Board then questioned the legality, and the precedent setting policy that would escalate over time as every business would request like treatment. Also the Board had a previous legal opinion from its attorney that such an arrangement would not fall under the guidelines of the JCDD Board and should not be made. Director Thacker asked if

the visitor center was under the Chamber and Brenda Job confirmed that it was in no way connected with the Chamber and Director Beverly Holley confirmed. Director Thacker, as well as other Directors, expressed dismay at the request. Director Dally made the motion that we explore this arrangement with our attorney once again for legal guidelines. There was a second from Director Thacker with a unanimous vote of the Board.

Request from the Chamber of Commerce: Beverly Holley of the Chamber of Commerce was present to present a request for \$8,000 for the advertising and publicity. In the past JCDD had contributed \$5,000 for two consecutive years and \$8,000 in 2017 with the additional \$3,000 going toward enhancing their web site. After a quick review the Board approved \$8,000 on a motion by Director Meaux with a second from Director Dally for funding but the money could not be used for purposes of promoting individual businesses as previously discussed. The vote passed unanimously.

Funding Request from Outlaw Outdoors / Rat-L-Trap: Outlaw Outdoors had a request for \$5,500 for five tournaments, three open division, and two collegiate fishing tournaments. The Board noted that the Chamber had provided funding in this amount to Outlaw Outdoors on the same request. The Board took no action on this item as it does not dual fund such events unless presented as such in advance.

The Rat-L-Trap funding request was placed under the Outlaw Outdoors because they will be promoting and managing the January 2019 tournament in place of a representative from Rat-L-Trap. The request was for \$3,000, which is the same amount that was approved in previous years. The funding will be placed on a sliding scale and the maximum of \$3,000 was approved on a motion by Director Dally with a second from Director Meaux with a unanimous vote of the Board.

Consideration of funding for Texas Team Trail and Cabela's Collegiate Tournament: Texas Team Trail made two requests for open tournaments of 700 anglers and one Collegiate tournament of 200 anglers. After a brief discussion the Board approved \$10,000 for both open tournaments and \$2,500 for the collegiate tournament. All three tournaments will be on a sliding scale and the Board approved the request on a motion by Director Dally with a second from Director Meaux with a unanimous vote of the Board.

Consideration of Umphrey Pavilion Marquee: The lighted marquee at the Umphrey pavilion has been shot out again for the third time. After some discussion to determine a solution to this problem, the Board decided it would be impossible to prevent it from happening again because of the remote location. When the District's attorney is consulted, have him review the possibility of placing a scrolling lighted marquee in front of Piney Point that would allow all businesses to advertise.

Consideration of funding from Sealy Outdoors: Bob and Nicole Sealy were present to present plans for their fall shootout tournament to be held in October 2018 and their 35th Big Bass Splash to be held in April of 2019. The first request was of \$12,500 for the October Shootout. They indicated the numbers have increased over the past two years and they expected an even larger number this year.

The 35th Big Bass Splash is planning for the largest tournament turnout in Lake Rayburn history. Complete plans will be released when the entertainment has been placed under contract. The tournament will host an outdoor festival and show, a \$300,000 big bass prize, and over \$1.2 million in prizes. The participation in both fishing and other activities should be extremely large, and the anticipated number of fishermen will be forthcoming. The funding request for this tournament is \$30,000.

On a motion from Director Meaux with a second from Director Dally, both amounts were approved on a sliding scale with a unanimous vote of the Board.

Consideration of funding for Keith Combs Tournament: Shane Campbell of Tackle Addict was present to request funding in the amount of \$5,000. The tournament will be held on October 5 & 6. After a short discussion, the Board approved the requested amount on a sliding scale of 400 + anglers on a motion by Director Dally with a second from Director Meaux and a unanimous vote of the Board.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Other Items:

There being no other business to come before the Board, it adjourned on a motion by Director Thacker with a second from Director Dally and a unanimous vote of the Board at 12:09 p.m.