

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Directors of Jasper County Development District No.1 will hold a special meeting on Wednesday, January 7, 2015, 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
2. Consideration and approve Minutes of July 22, 2014

FINANCIAL REPORT

3. Review of District Financials

PAYMENT OF BILLS

4. Payment of bills as presented
 - a. Invoices from Gary Collins regarding District Expenses
 - b. Other invoices as presented

ACTION ITEMS

5. FLW Fishing report
6. CAST Fishing
7. Southeast Texas High School Fishing
8. Rayburn Country Redevelopment funding request
9. Fire Department funding request
10. Update on Coaching School Funding
11. Report on City of Jasper Downtown Project
12. Request for funding from Rat-L-Trap
13. Consideration of Pavilion Funding 2015
14. Request from funding FLW College Series

DISCUSSION ITEMS

14. Oilman Fishing Tournament and response
15. CAST fishing request
16. Texas Team Fishing Trail update
17. Communication from the public
18. Other items that may be presented
19. Adjournment

MINUTES OF JASPER COUNTY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT NO. 1
January 7, 2015

The Board of Directors of the Jasper County Development District No. 1 (the District) held a special meeting, open to the public, on the 7th day of January 2015, at 10:00 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 President
Brent Meaux Secretary
Randall Dally Director
Charles Burke Absent
Richard Carpenter Director

Others in attendance were: Ray Beck and Brian Branham from Umphrey Pavilion and Charles Shofner County Commissioner Pct. 1, Martha Womack Rayburn Country Redevelopment.

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.

CONSENT AGENDA

The following items from the Consent Agenda were approved on a motion by Director Dally and a second from Director Meaux with a unanimous vote of the Board.

MINUTES

The minutes from the July 22, 2014 meeting as submitted.

FINANCIAL REPORT

The financial statement presented by the bookkeeper indicating the District has a cash balance on January 7, 2015 of \$101,763.91. Total funds, including investments were \$264,504.27 not including a \$15,000 refund from FLW for an overpayment. That would bring the total cash balance to \$116,763.91 and the total fund balance to \$279,504.27.

PAYMENT OF BILLS

Director Collins for postage, printer ink and mileage fee from July 22, 2014 through January 7, 2015 of \$50.33

ACTION ITEMS

FLW FISHING REPORT: Director Collins provided additional information on the overpayment and FLW had indicated they would forward a refund as soon as the check information from JCDD was received. Director Collins stated it would be processed that afternoon. FLW indicated they would return with another funding request for 3 tournaments this year. No action required on this item.

CAST: Director Collins explained to the Board that the CAST Tournament request was discussed with the tournament director. He understood that the District would not fund food and other incidental items and they decided to would another lake during the 2015 but may request some assistance in 2016.

SOUTHEAST TEXAS HIGH SCHOOL FISHING: Director Collins told the Board of the outstanding participation, over 700 anglers, from this tournament and the Board's promotion money was well spent. Ray Beck also mentioned that so many people turned out for the tournament that seating was a problem and that the Pavilion Board is looking as was to increase the seating capacity under the Pavilion covered area. Several suggestions were made including portable bleachers and moving the vendors outside the covered area. To date the District has paid \$10,000 promotional money to the Tournament and has \$15,000 remaining in their commitment.

LAKE RAYBURN FIRE DEPARTMENT: Sam Job of the Lake Rayburn Fire Department was present to present a request for a generator to keep the fire station running in time of an emergency. It would be the center of all emergency activity and needs an emergency power source. He mentioned that their budget fund balance was just a little over \$20,000 and some of the money would be used to power the generator with propane and a tank along with the incidentals associated with making the connection. After some deliberation discussing alternatives, the Board approved a grant in the amount of \$13,892 to purchase

the generator on a motion by Director Meaux with a second from Director Carpenter with a unanimous vote of the Board.

UPDATE ON COACHING SCHOOL CLINIC: Director Collins informed the Board that an additional of money to cover speakers' rooms had to be paid to Rayburn Country as Coach Barbay had made a mistake when he first submitted a request for payment. The additional amount was \$1,013.36 bringing the total amount for the clinic to a little over \$1,600. That amount is approximately \$900 less than the fee paid last year. No action was required on this item as it had been approved in a prior meeting.

JASPER DOWNTOWN PROJECT: Director Meaux made a presentation on the Downtown Project and what was to be accomplished in the next three to five years. A number of significant changes to the downtown were discussed and was compared to similar projects taking place in Center, Livingston and other smaller communities across the area and state. No action was required by the Board, and Director Meaux said he would return with an update as items were addressed. He stated that Jasper wanted the Districts verbal support of their efforts and that any financial commitment would certainly be appreciated as both areas would be the beneficiary.

REQUEST FOR RAT-L-TRAP TOURNAMENT FUNDING: Director Collins mentioned that Rat-L-Trap repeated their request for promotional funding in the amount of \$3,500 for their open tournament to be held on Lake Rayburn on Sunday, January 25 following a large tournament Saturday. Collins also mentioned that the amount funded last year was \$3,000. After some deliberation, the Board awarded a grant of \$3,000 on a motion by Director Dally with a second from Director Carpenter and a unanimous vote of the Board.

PAVILION FUNDING FOR 2015: The funding provisions for the Pavilion for 2015 were discussed at length between the Board and representatives of the Pavilion association. The Board indicated that they wanted more activities outside fishing tournaments so that the Development District could use money for other projects. After some thoughts regarding numbers of tournament anglers fishing each event, along with other information including the fund balance of the Pavilion, it was decided to table the item and meet again within two months in order for Brian to assemble participation figures relating to each tournament sponsor. The motion to table was made by Director Carpenter with a second from Director Dally and a unanimous vote of the Board.

FLW COLLEGE FISHING SERIES: On a motion by Director Meaux with a second from Director Carpenter, the Board unanimously voted to fund \$2,000 to the FLW College Fishing Tournament held on December 14, 2014.

DISCUSSION ITEMS: Director Collins informed the Board that he had made contact with officials from the Southeast Texas Oilmen's Fishing Tournament and proposed a meeting regarding funding but he has not heard a response.

He also mentioned that CAST and Texas Team Trail have located other lakes and funding and will not be requesting any from JCDD during the 2015 year.

Director Collins mentioned that Bass Cat will hold their tournament during the first week of April. The funding request of \$30,000 is the same and they will be forwarding a formal request within a month. The Chamber of Commerce has already provided \$5,000 toward their tournament.

There was no communication from the public.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no other business to come before the Board they adjourned on a motion by Director Dally with a second from Director Meaux and a unanimous vote of the Board at 12:01 p.m.