

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Directors of Jasper County Development District No.1 will hold a special meeting on Tuesday, September 20, 2016, 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 April 21, 2016 and May 27, 2016

FINANCIAL REPORT

3. Financial report

PAYMENT OF BILLS

4. Reimburse Director Collins for postage, mileage and consideration on Internet fees

ACTION ITEMS

5. Approve Law Suit on Chase rent house for delinquent taxes
6. Charlie Parks request for Oilman's Fishing Tourney
7. Quad State Bass Tournament Request
8. Request for funding 3 FLW Cowboy Division Tournaments in 2017
9. Request for funding FLW Costa Tournament Series
10. Request for funding Rat-L-Trap for January 2017
11. Review and action on Pavilion repair and purchase requests
12. Consideration of a policy for charges on material and personnel time
13. La Paz road repair request
14. KOA advertising support request

DISCUSSION ITEMS

15. Other items that may be presented
16. Adjournment

MINUTES OF JASPER COUNTY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT NO. 1
September 20, 2016

The Board of Directors of the Jasper County Development District No. 1 (the District) held a special meeting, open to the public, on the 20th day of September 20, 2016, 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 President
Brent Meaux Secretary
Randall Dally Present
Charles Burke Director
Richard Carpenter Absent

Others in attendance were: Sam Job, Rayburn Realty, Rayburn Redevelopment, Brenda Job, Rayburn Realty, Jasper Chamber of Commerce; Denise Quick, Rayburn Realty; Jon Schillings, Rayburn Inn; Gary Willis and daughter Katie from Rayburn KOA Campground; Ann Allison Smith, La Paz B & B; and Willie King, Quad State Bass Tournaments.

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 of April 21, 2016 and May 27, 2016 were approved with one amendment which included adding a word under the financial report section in the minutes of April 21st. The sentence now reads, "Director Collins (reported) that the District had encumbrances of approximately \$50,000 that would be due later in the year."

FINANCIAL REPORT:

The financial report through July 31, 2016 from Phyllis Herbst, bookkeeper, was presented with the following information. The cash balance on hand was \$85,667.05 and the certificates of deposit totaled \$101,802.59 giving a grand total of \$248,824.14.

PAYMENT OF BILLS:

Director Collins presented an invoice for postage and internet service for a total of \$50.09. The mileage was figured at .32 cents per mile. The Board voted to change the mileage reimbursement to the government mileage scale of .51 cents. That brought the total reimbursement to \$69.47.

The Consent Agenda was approved on a motion by Director Dally with a second from Director Burke with a unanimous vote of the Board with the exception for Director Collins who abstained on payment of bills.

ACTION ITEMS

Chase Law Suit: A District Law Suit against Russell and Terri Chase over dues that were in arrears for one and one half years. After some discussion, and placing a cap of \$4,000 on the expenses for the law suit, and seeking reimbursement of attorney fees and a charge for delinquent taxes, the Board approved the law suit on a motion by Director Dally with a second from Director Meaux with a unanimous vote of the Board.

Oilman's Fishing Tournament: Charlie Parks made a request to the Board for \$3,000 to cover the Pavilion expenses of the Oilman's annual fishing tournament. This year the tournament would involve two groups and the length of stay for the fisherman would be as long as four days for some fisherman. The dates of the tournament are October 5,6,7, & 8. The request was approved on a motion by Director Meaux with a second from Director Dally with a unanimous vote of the Board.

Quad State Bass Tournament: Willie King, director of Quad State Tournaments, was present to request \$2,000 to help with the expenses of the tournament. After explaining the participation arrangements and other details regarding the tournament, the Board approved a grant of \$2,000 to cover the Pavilion fees and other expenses relating to the event. The tournament will take place on April 8, 9, 2017. The motion was made by Director Meaux with a second from Director Burke with a unanimous vote of the Board.

FLW Fishing Tournament Request: FLW made their yearly request for funding of three tournaments to be held on January 21, February 11, and March 4, 2017. The amount requested was \$5,000 per event which is the same as in previous years. The request was approved on a motion by Director Dally with a second from Director Burke with a unanimous vote of the Board.

FLW Costa Tournament Series: The Costa Division of the FLW made a request for \$15,500 for a tournament to be held on February 23, 24, and 25 2017. Director Dally stated the Chamber had pledged the expenses and all the Board needed was to consider was the Pavilion fees for those three days. After a short discussion, the Board approved the paying of Pavilion fees for this tournament on a motion by Director Meaux with a second from Director Burke with a unanimous vote of the Board.

Rat-L-Trap Request for funding: Wes Higgins of Rat-L-Trap Lures presented a request for \$3,000 for their annual tournament held in January 2017. The tournament will follow a larger one which would require participants to remain in the Rayburn area one additional day. This is the same amount that has been paid for the previous two years. The Board approved the request on a motion by Director Dally with a second from Director Burke and a unanimous vote of the Board.

Pavilion Funding Request: The Pavilion Board made a request for several items at the Pavilion totaling over \$28,000. No one was present to discuss the items so the Board tabled the requests until a joint meeting of both Boards could be called to discuss the requests. The motion was made by Director Burke with a second from Director Meaux and a unanimous vote of the Board.

Consideration of Policy on Fee Charges For Information Requests: Director Collins presented information from the State Attorney General regarding charges for requests of information. The law allows for a 10 cents charge for copies and a maximum of \$28 labor charge. After a short discussion, the Board decided not to act on this item at the present time.

La Paz Road Repair Request & Rayburn KOA Publicity Request: Ann Allison Smith was present to present her request for road repair to her private drive leading to the La Paz B & B. The total request was for \$6,800 with a minimum amount of \$1,000. During her presentation, she also mentioned that La Paz has been designated as a Tesla charging station and that should bring additional visitors to her location.

Gary Willis presented his material on the publicity and related expenditures for the KOA. Although no specific amount was mentioned, he did present total yearly expenditures of \$27,000 for advertising and publicity. Both individuals wanted the Board to help with their efforts in these areas. They were informed about the private nature of their business and that the Board did not enter into such arrangements because everyone subject to paying a motel tax would be entitled to such grants which would range from roof repairs to any other expenditure related to the business operation. A mention was made about Rayburn Country, but the difference is that, although privately owned, Rayburn Country facilities are open to the public and the previous attorney's opinion was that the Board could fund the road repair and publicity.

After some discussion, the Board requested to ask for an opinion from the attorney and then respond to the request regarding publicity after that information was obtained. No other action was taken on these items.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Other Items: Brenda Job of Rayburn Realty and the Jasper Chamber of Commerce, made a presentation to the Board about a consolidated publicity effort of businesses in the Rayburn and surrounding areas that would focus on the activities available to visitors. She stressed involvement of individual business owners on the JCDD Board and suggested that the Board be expanded to include such individuals. Apparently she overlooked the fact that the Board currently has two private business owners involved in rentals on the Board. This will be an item that the Board discussed at a later meeting.

There being no other items to address, the Board adjourned at 12:03 p.m. on a motion by Director Burke with a second from Director Meaux with a unanimous vote of the Board.