

Larry Weber, President
Ben Campbell, Vice-President
Linda Dickens, Secretary-Treasurer
Michael Page, Director
Kurt Herrington, Director
Charles Drane, Director
Suzanne Eiben, Director



Lisa Denton, ED Director
Terry Johnson, ED Project Manager

Minutes from January 21, 2021 Annual Board Meeting
Palestine Economic Development Board of Directors

The Economic Development Board convened in a combined virtual and in person meeting on Monday, January 21, 2021 at 12:00 p.m, at City Hall in Council Chambers. PEDC Board members present in Council Chambers: Larry Weber, President; Suzanne Eiben; Linda Dickens; Charles Drane, and Michael Page. Ben Campbell and PEDC Counsel, Chris Nichols were present via Zoom. Absent was Kurt Herrington. Others present: Economic Development Director Lisa Denton; Interim City Manager, Teresa Herrera; and Terry Johnson, PEDC Project Manager.

- A. CALL TO ORDER** – With a quorum present, Larry Weber called the PEDC meeting to order at 12:01 pm
- B. PROPOSED CHANGES OF AGENDA ITEMS** -- none
- C. PUBLIC COMMENTS** – none
- D. CONFLICT OF INTEREST DISCLOSURES** – none
- E. ITEMS FROM THE BOARD** – none
- F. DECEMBER 2020 DIRECTOR'S REPORT** – Director's Report document provided. Board was reminded, and encouraged, to attend the joint meeting scheduled on Feb. 11th at 1 pm, with City Council. This meeting will be the first of two for the Action Plan that is underway.
- G. BROADBAND UPDATE** – The board was presented with an update on the broadband project.
- H. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS**
1. Consider approval of PEDC minutes:
 - a. December 14, 2020
 - b. January 11, 2021Linda Dickens made motion to approve the PEDC minutes as presented; seconded by Charles Drane; motion carried 6-0.
 2. Consider approval of December 2020 Financial Statements
Charles Drane made motion to approve PEDC December 2020 financials; seconded by Michael Page; motion carried 6-0.
 3. Election of Officers for 2021
Charles Drane made motion to nominate Larry Weber as President, Ben Campbell as Vice President and Linda Dickens as Secretary-Treasurer; seconded by Suzanne Eiben; motion carried 6-0.
 4. Consider approval of Resolution No R-0121-21 adopting the City of Palestine's Investment Policy
Motion was made by Larry Weber to approve Resolution No. R-0121-21; seconded by Linda Dickens; motion carried 6-0.

CLOSED SESSION – 12:28 pm

The Board will go into Closed Session pursuant to Texas Government Code, Chapter 551, Subchapter D.

1. Section 551.072 deliberation regarding real property: the sale, purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property
 - a. Willow Creek Business Park Land Tracts
2. Section 551.087 deliberation regarding Economic Development negotiations:
 - a. Discussion regarding Prospect 1011
 - b. Discussion regarding Prospect 1015
 - c. Discussion regarding Prospect 1018
 - d. Discussion regarding Prospect 1023

E. RECONVENE INTO REGULAR SESSION – 2:09 pm

No action taken

F. ADJOURNMENT – 2:09 pm

Larry Weber, PEDC Board President	Date	Time
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Lisa Denton, Economic Development Director	Date	Time
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