

FARMERSVILLE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
MEETING MINUTES
March 20th, 2014

The Farmersville EDC met in regular session on March 20th, 2014, at 5:30 p.m. at the City Council Chambers with the following members present: Bob Collins, Chris Lair, Kris Washam, Robbie Tedford and Kevin Meguire. Staff members present were City Manager Ben White, City Accountant Daphne Hamlin and Mayor Joseph Helmsberger. Special guest recognized Rob Rae with Kimley Horn.

CALL TO ORDER

Bob Collins convened the meeting at 5:30 p.m. and announced that a quorum was present.

RECOGNITION OF CITIZENS/VISITORS

Special guest recognized Rob Rae with Kimley Horn Engineering.

DISCUSSION FOR TOWNE CENTRE PLANNING

Rob Rae with Kimley Horn Engineering was asked to present and discuss with the EDC 4A Board on developing a Towne Centre Plan for the City of Farmersville. Mr. Rae discussed how the City of Bedford planning was compiled. First step is to review existing conditions, a location analysis of existing connections, conditions of land use, and the economy assessment. Public outreach and staff would develop a vision. Another step would be to review current housing, and plans for developing different housing options. Also, a review of cultural additions, example Plaza Pavilion. Along with developing standards, form base code, overlay, plan development, etc.

Mr. Rae said you would need a characteristic review of what citizens will do and how far they would go to make certain purchases. Mr. Tedford said he is interested in what kind of commercial types Farmersville could attract.

Mr. McGuire asked if this data came across into the comprehensive plan. Mr. White stated the comprehensive plan addressed the City as a whole and this is very focused on a particular part.

Mrs. Washam and Mr. Lair wanted to see more of the economic part and impact it would have on a City.

Mr. Collins said this is something to look at during the budget process of 2014-2015 if the EDC 4A board wants to pursue a Towne Centre Plan. Mr. McGuire asked the cost of having an economic analysis. Mr. Rae stated approximately 10K.

RECEIVE REPORT ON STATUS OF STATE HIGHWAY 380 RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT FROM LAKE LAVON TO THE COLLIN/HUNT COUNTY LINE

City Manager Ben White updated the EDC 4A board on the progress of the Highway 380 Project. Mr. White stated concrete was poured to re-open ramp off Hwy 380 onto Main

Street Bridge will be a two way ramp. The first Rail Road Bridge is scheduled to begin construction May 2014.

UPDATE REGARDING COLLIN COLLEGE

Bob Collins stated nothing new to report. Mr. White advised the EDC 4A Board the City was applying for the Tiger Grant to help assist with road construction in front of the proposed Collin College. Grant is scheduled to be awarded end of 2014

UPDATE REGARDING ELECTRICAL SYSTEM ACQUISITION.

Mr. White updated the 4A EDC Board in regards to the Electrical System Acquisition. Mr. White stated in process of getting all the ordinances in place and will go before City Council on the next scheduled meeting. Mr. White stated that April 16th, 2014 City will take control of the electrical system. Digger Truck and spares are ordered. Mr. White stated having a few I.T. issues developing an on-line billing system.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING FAÇADE GRANT AWARDED TO DOUG AND LORI LAUBE.

Mr. Laube addressed the EDC 4A Board requesting an extension on the façade grant awarded on September 19th, 2013. On a motion by Mr. Tedford and a second by Mr. Lair, the EDC 4A Board approved the façade grant extension for (6) six months, upon an agreement letter received by Doug and Lori Laube. Motion carried unanimously.

CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR JANUARY AND FEBRUARY 2014, AND REQUIRED BUDGET AMENDMENTS

On a motion by Mrs. Washam and a second by Mr. McGuire, the Board approved the financial statements for January and February 2014. Motion carried unanimously.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING ITEMS FOR PAYMENTS

On a motion by Mr. Tedford and a second by Mr. McGuire, the Board approved the items listed for payment. Motion carried unanimously.

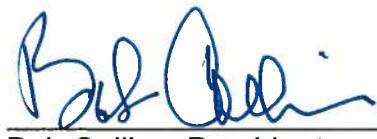
CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 16TH, 2014 MEETING

On a motion by Mr. Lair and a second by Mr. Tedford, the Board approved the meeting minutes of the January 16th, 2014 meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

DSCUSSION ON COMTEMPLATION OF PLACING ITEMS ON FUTURE AGENDA


ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by Mr. Tedford and a second by Mr. McGuire, the Board adjourned at 7:15p.m.



Bob Collins, President

ATTEST:



Kris Washam, Secretary