

**LLANO ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION**  
**MEETING MINUTES**  
**May 23, 2022**

**OPEN MEETING**

1. Call to Order
  - The meeting was called to order at 5:33 PM by Allen Hopson with the following members present: Eric Schuessler, Hatch Smith, Pat McDowell.
  - Also present were Councilman Wayne DeCesaris, City Manager Erica Berry, and Tony Guidroz.
  - Members Absent: Josh Mayfield, Marian Fraser, and Sammy Leverett.
2. Public Comments
  - No public comments.
3. Discuss and Consider – Meeting Minutes for April 25, 2022
  - Motion was made by Eric Schuessler and seconded by Pat McDowell to accept the minutes as presented. Motion passed unanimously.
4. Discussion Only – Financial Reports for March, 2022
5. Discuss and Consider – Remaining Bond Money on the JLK Arena & Events Center
  - Scott McDonough will bring pricing information to the next meeting for shade screens (approximately \$20K), dump station for RV's (approximately \$160K), LED lighting, and other priority wish list items.
  - Discussion on putting ads on the arena side of the sunshades as this would more than pay for their cost.
  - No action taken.
6. Discuss and Consider – Central Texas College
  - Pat stated that the Mayor has a meeting set with Commissioner Moss to discuss a venue for a trade school for plumber, electrician, and CDL driver training classes.
  - Allen added that the professionals he talks with are hesitant as the trade students tend to come out with higher expectations than what their certificate provides.
  - In the more near future are the CNA classes with a projected facility agreement date of mid-June.
  - Allen signed the Letter of Support as previously approved for the TRUE grant with no matching funds. The next grant request will have matching funds and the group will need to re-assess if there is local professional support before committing.
  - No action taken.
7. Discuss and Consider – Llano County Affordable Housing Meetings
  - Pat reported that he drove the northwest quadrant looking for a blighted block or two.
  - The LCA's goal is to begin building two campuses on their property in January of 2023.
  - Allen would like the input of a council member as available land and zoning are discussed. Wayne DeCesaris has agreed to meet with board, and Erica will further research any rezoning opportunities.
  - No action taken.
8. Discussion Only – City Owned Properties
9. Discuss and Consider – Broadband Project Funding
  - Erica reported that \$80K of the approved \$100K has been signed off on and more has been ordered to bring it up to approximately \$94K. There is still a possibility that the monies might be refunded.
  - Erica added that they will begin connecting customers within 2 weeks.
  - Pat will get more information on the County's model as most of the county can be covered.
  - No action taken.
10. Discussion Only - Monthly Review of Vacant Business Property
  - Tony pointed out three new properties on the inventory and stated that he knows of 3 parties who are actively looking at properties

11. Discuss and Consider – FY 22-23 Budget and Projects

- With a minimum quorum present, the members who were in attendance wanted to wait on the budget discussions until the next meeting.
- Allen wants to visit with Marty Coursey regarding the proposed sales tax revenue figures she provided as they went down considerably from the last FY.
- No action taken.

12. Discuss and Consider – Invoices and Timesheets

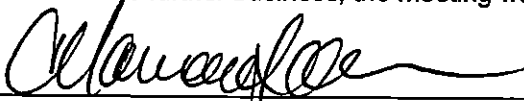
- Motion was made by Hatch Smith and seconded by Eric Schuessler to approve the timesheet as submitted.
- Motion passed unanimously.

13. Reports

- No reports.

14. Adjourn

- With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:30 PM.



---

Marianne, Fraser, Secretary/Treasurer  
Llano Economic Development Corporation