

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE  
TERREBONNE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY  
BOARD MEETING  
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2018

President Nicholas Hebert called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m. The prayer and Pledge of Allegiance were led by Mrs. Tammy Haydel.

Members recorded as present were: Mr. Robert Barthel, Mr. C.J. Domangue, Dr. Michael Garcia, Mr. Nicholas Hebert, Mr. Christian Lapeyre. Also present were Mr. Matthew Rookard, TEDA's CEO, Mrs. Katherine Gilbert-Theriot, TEDA's Director of Business Retention & Expansion, Mrs. Tammy Haydel, TEDA's Executive Secretary, Ms. Ana Gale Orellana and Mr. Perry Pertuit of Entergy (Mr. Pertuit arrived at 12:32 p.m.), and Mr. Pat Gordon of South Central Planning.

President Hebert made three calls for public wishing to address the committee with no response.

Mr. Barthel motioned to approve the November 13, 2018 Board Meeting Minutes as submitted, seconded by Mr. Lapeyre. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Hebert presented the November financial reports. The rise in expenses in the P&L Report is due to three payroll entries for November. All other expenses are in line. The travel and training expense is in accordance with the events the staff attended during the month. Mr. Lapeyre motioned to approve the November financial reports as submitted, seconded by Mr. Barthel. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Rookard updated the Board on the 2019 budget approval. The committee has previously met to approve the budget and the council meeting is scheduled for December 12<sup>th</sup> to approve the line item budget. The 2018 projected is accurate. Mr. Barthel motioned to approve the 2019 proposed budget, seconded by Mr. Lapeyre. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Rookard presented Grant Resolution No. 18-002. A grant application is being considered through the Tourism Commission for a product development grant for the levee run concept. It is a \$5,000.00 grant. Mrs. Theriot is gathering the information and it should be submitted by the third week of January, 2019. Mr. Barthel motioned to approve the resolution, seconded by Dr. Garcia. The motion passed unanimously.

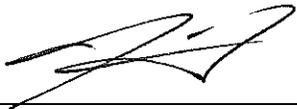
Mrs. Theriot presented the December BRE Report. There were 83 retention visits for the year, which is well above the national average. Mr. Rookard commended Mrs. Theriot for her hard work. She attended the Advanced Economic Development Leadership Conference in Greenville, South Carolina; it was an interesting session and provided a unique insight into economic development. The International Workboat Show was a success, in that Mrs. Theriot was able to network with 24 companies with a presence in Terrebonne Parish.

Mr. Rookard updated the levee run/wetlands project. He and Mr. Hebert have met with Mr. Reggie Dupre of the Levee District and Mr. Gordon Dove, Parish President. A vendor meeting was held recently with Southern Timing regarding the logistics: timing, 5k, 10k and ½ marathon routes, registration, bibs, awards, etc. The tentative date is Sunday, April 7, 2019 in Montegut. The run will be marketed as an “off-road experience” for runners/walkers largely through social media. It will be something different from any other races in Louisiana. It will incorporate coastal restoration education, in addition to wild life exhibits. The event will offer a bird-watching experience as well.

President Hebert thanked the board members and staff for their service for 2018, and is looking forward to 2019.

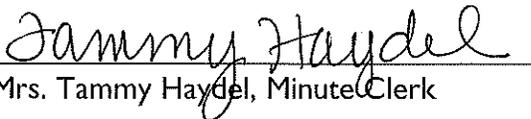
Mrs. Theriot introduced the Entergy check presentation for the certified cite project for Louisiana Economic Development to certify Rebecca Plantation as a shovel-ready cite for industrial development. Ms. Orellana stated that Entergy saw the value in partnering with Terrebonne Parish for the first certified cite. They are very excited to support the parish through the certification process and anticipates partnerships for future projects. Mr. Perry Pertuit, manager for new business development for Entergy, congratulated TEDA on the project success and is proud to be a part of it.

At 12:58 p.m., Mr. Barthel moved to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Domangue. The motion passed unanimously.



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Mr. Nicholas Hebert, President



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Mrs. Tammy Haydel, Minute Clerk