

Waxahachie Community Development Corporation
September 12, 2023

A regular meeting of the Waxahachie Community Development Corporation (WCDC) was held in the Council Chamber at City Hall, 401 S. Rogers, Waxahachie, Texas on Tuesday, September 12, 2023 at 3:00 p.m.

Members Present: Daniel Morton, President
Elizabeth Tull, Vice President
David Hill, Mayor
Michael Scott, City Manager
Bob Lynn
David McSpadden
Jim Phillips

Ex-Officio Chad Tustison, Director of Finance
Members Present: Kevin Strength, President/CEO Chamber of Commerce

Ex-Officio Amber Villarreal, City Secretary
Member Absent:

Others Present: Gumaro Martinez, Executive Director of Parks & Leisure Services
Laurie Mosley, Director of Convention & Visitors Bureau
Chris Seale, Horticulturist
James Villarreal, Assistant Director Sports Complex

1. Call to Order

President Dan Morton called the meeting to order.

2. Public Comments

None.

3. Approval of minutes of the Waxahachie Community Development Corporation regular meeting of July 11, 2023 and special meeting of August 8, 2023

Action:

Dave McSpadden moved to approve minutes of the WCDC regular meeting on July 11, 2023 and special meeting of August 8, 2023. Motion was seconded by Elizabeth Tull and carried unanimously (7-0).

4. Hear report of YMCA fundraising efforts and consider funding request

Jon McLaughlin, Executive Director of the Waxahachie YMCA, and Brett Hess, Waxahachie YMCA Board Member, presented a request for funding in the amount of \$500,000.

Action:

Dave McSpadden moved to approve a pledge of \$489,000 for a playground and retaining wall in Phase 1 to be fulfilled when the remaining Phase 1 funds have been raised and a pledge of \$240,000 for a walking trail and sand volleyball court in Phase 2 to be fulfilled when the remaining Phase 2 funds have been raised. Motion was seconded by Dan Morton and carried unanimously (7-0).

5. Consider funding for Boat Dock Park improvements

The item was presented by Senior Director of Parks and Recreation Kyle Cooper and he requested a ratification of funding in the amount of \$717,000 for Boat Dock Park improvements.

Action:

Dan Morton moved to ratify \$717,000 from the Waxahachie Community Development Corporation unreserved fund for the Boat Dock Park improvements project as presented by staff and authorize the City Manager to execute all documents as necessary. Motion was seconded by Jim Phillips and carried unanimously (7-0).

Mayor David Hill left the meeting at 4:00 p.m.

6. Hear update of activities from Convention & Visitors Bureau Director

The item was presented by Laurie Mosley, Director of Convention & Visitors Bureau.

7. Hear update of Community Beautification

The item was presented by Chris Seale, Horticulturist.

8. Hear update of activities at the Sports Complex

The item was presented by James Villarreal, Assistant Director Sports Complex.

9. Comments by WCDC Board of Directors

Dave McSpadden noted the three potential mural locations previously discussed have been verified and the artist is receiving themes and design input from the community. An update with design options will be presented at the October Waxahachie Community Development Corporation (WCDC) meeting. The first mural will have a historical theme and will be located at the Parks Department building.

Dan Morton noted WCDC members will discuss baseball fields and basketball courts at an upcoming work session.

10. Adjourn

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:19 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jami Bonner
Assistant City Secretary