

**MINUTES OF YOAKUM ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
BOARD MEETING OF JANUARY 15, 2001**

A regular meeting of the Yoakum Economic Development Corp. was held on January 15, 2001 at 6:30 p.m. President McMullen called the meeting to order. All members were present except John Sanchez. President McMullen stated that our goal this year should be to bring more people into our groups.

The first item of business was an update from the task forces. Dennis Kutach reported for the *Economic Development* task force. A meeting was held on January 12, 2001. Items of discussion were the status of the railroad property, the A & M study, and the Dewitt Electric Coop- City of Yoakum service area switch. The Industrial Foundation merger is still in the discussion stages. Gladys Jiral reported on the *Tourism and Marketing* task force activities. Mike Tolleson of the LCRA attended the last meeting. The group gave input to Mike to aid him in the LCRA target industry report. The school art class will design and paint 4' x 8' signs for the RV park. Christine Brown gave an update on the *Community Development/Revitalization* task force activities. A Main Street workshop will be held in Austin on February 20, 2001. The re-application deadline is July. The Business Alliance is hard at work. February 2 is the day that the Texas A & M students will be in town to discuss the Linear Park Project. A report from the Rodeo Committee should be available for our February meeting. Tony Villa is working on the Rails To Trails project. The deadline for the submission of the T-21 grant application to TexDot is June 18. Evelyn Miculka gave the *Education/Workforce Development* task force report. No meetings have been held since November. However, members of the task force have met with school officials to discuss some new programs for the schools. Principal Manning is due to give the task force a written report. This task force will meet in February to revisit and prioritize its goals.

The Board discussed some administrative issues. A bid was presented from Jacobs-Weber for \$298 for a one-year premium for bonding of the officers. Tim Faulkner moved to accept the bid. Dennis Kutach seconded the motion. The motion carried, and the bid was accepted. The Board discussed the investment of excess funds in a short-term certificate of deposit to increase interest income. John Trott moved to allow Ken Kvinta to negotiate the best rate for a six month CD in the amount of \$100,000. Annie Rodriguez seconded the motion. The motion carried. Mr. Kvinta was also instructed to contact Yoakum National Bank regarding the Bank's intent to pledge securities for any of the corporation's deposits over the FDIC insurance level.

The Board discussed and set a special meeting for February 7, 2001, at noon, to discuss amendment of the existing by-laws. The Board also recognized a deadline of August 1, 2001, to submit next year's budget.

The next meeting will be held February 19, 2001, at 6:30 p.m. The meeting adjourned at 7:33 p.m.

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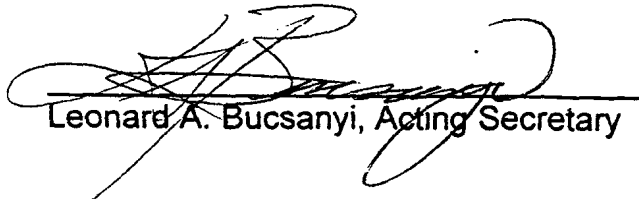
A special meeting of the Yoakum Economic Development Corporation was held on February 15, 2001 at 12:00 Noon at the H&H Café. President Mc Mullen called the meeting to order. All members were present except Ken Kvinta. President McMullen stated that the meeting was called to review existing Corporate Bylaws.

John Trott asked if it were known whether or not the Board members with signatory authority were required by State law to be bonded. It was recommended that Ken Kvinta review the law on this issue. John Trott also suggested that we anticipate preparing a budget for the next fiscal year to comply with existing Bylaw requirements, (Sec. 8.02) in order to submit same to City Council 60 days prior to start of new fiscal year. Discussion followed with Annie Rodriguez recommending an "Admin" budget line item be added to any future budget request, suggesting an expediate method of covering expected and unexpected expenditures (i.e. ED workshops for Board members). Ways of streamlining the budget approval process and associated public hearing/public notices were discussed by John Trott and Dennis Kutach. Margie McMullen reminded Board members to review the Gonzales funding request guidelines provided to them last December and to make suggestions for incorporating a similar procedure for our use. Dennis Kutach questioned the Board's need to hold meeting on a monthly basis and pointed out that the Bylaws (Section 4.08 requires only 4 meeting per year. Discussion followed with a consensus to review the present schedule of meetings.

Margie McMullen suggested that the entire text of existing Bylaws be reviewed by Ken Kvinta with an eye to simplifications where appropriate.

Margie McMullen asked Leonard Bucsanyi to verify the date and location of the next LCRA Economic Development workshop in Bastrop and determine whether or not 4B Sales Tax funds can be used to support costs (tuition) of Board members to attend.

The next meeting will be held February 19, 2001 at 6:30 P.M. The meeting adjourned at 12:55 P.M.


Leonard A. Bucsanyi, Acting Secretary

**YOAKUM ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
MINUTES OF MEETING OF FEBRUARY 19, 2001**

PUBLIC HEARING

A public hearing was held on February 19, 2001, at 6:00 p.m. in the Conference Room at Hochheim Prairie Insurance. All members of the Economic Development Corporation Board were in attendance. President Margie McMullen read the public hearing notice regarding the expenditure of funds to Texas A & M University for the architectural study of the downtown area and the proposed railroad park land. There was no public comment on the project. The meeting adjourned at 6:08 p.m.

REGULAR MEETING

The meeting of the Yoakum Economic Development Corporation Board was held on February 19, 2001, at 6:30 p.m. in the Conference Room at Hochheim Prairie Insurance. President McMullen called the meeting to order. All members were present.

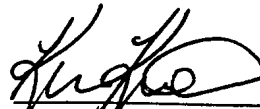
President McMullen welcomed everyone to the meeting. She introduced Amy Minzer and Mike Tolleson of LCRA who presented a summary of their Target Industry Report. A copy of the 52-page report was handed out to all Board members.

After the LCRA presentation, President McMullen reported that Gladys Jiral was stepping down as chairperson of Tourism and Marketing Task Force. A new chairperson is needed.

The Board will meet again on April 16, 2001, in the City Council chambers. The meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

TREASURER'S REPORT

February Sales Tax Collection	17,118.77
March Sales Tax Collection (2 months)	23,178.57
Ending balance – March 30, 2001	115,763.41
Certificate of Deposit	100,000.00



Ken Kvinta, Secretary-Treasurer

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Board of Directors Meeting of April 16, 2001

All members present, with the exception of Margie McMullen and Ken Kvinta.

Vice President Dennis Kutach called the meeting to order at 6:32 PM, and welcomed all board members and guests to the meeting.

VeVe Murray gave a detailed report on her study of Yoakum's rodeo arena and surrounding facilities. She gave examples of conditions that need to be corrected in our facility. A discussion was held on past, current, and future uses of the arena.

Sarah Morgenroth with Rick Arnic presented an outline of LCRA's Partnership in Parks Program. The key point in her presentation was the Master Park Plan that the LCRA will do and provide to the City at no charge. This is done as a service because the City is a wholesale power customer of the LCRA.

A motion by Annie Rodriguez, and a second by Tim Faulkner; to ask that Yoakum's name be placed on a list for a Parks Master Plan. The motion passed with no objections.

Co-Chairs Christine Brown and Dick Witherite of the Community Development/ Downtown Revitalization Task Force, gave an update on the status of Yoakum's application to be re-certified as a Main Street City. After some discussion, a motion was made by Tim Faulkner to draft a letter of support from the EDC for the re-certification of Yoakum as a Main Street City. The motion was seconded by John Sanchez, and passed with no objections.


Another motion was made by Annie Rodriguez to send a letter to the Yoakum City Council asking them to support the re-certification of Yoakum as a Main Street City. The motion was seconded by John Sanchez and passed with no objections.

Under Other Business; it was announced that Dave Talbert and Pat Hull would serve as Co- Chairs of the Community Marketing/ Tourism Development Task Force.

The final plans of the Texas A&M students and staff will be presented during a mid-morning meeting on May 2, 2001.

The next scheduled meeting of the EDC will be in the evening of May 2, 2001. Time and place to be announced.

These minutes submitted by :



Tim Faulkner
Acting Secretary

Approved by:

Margie McMullen
EDC Chairperson

**YOKUM ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
MINUTES OF MEETING OF MAY 2, 2001**

The meeting of the Yoakum Economic Development Corporation was held on May 2, 2001, at the Yoakum City Council Chambers. President Margie McMullen called the meeting to order and welcomed all in attendance. All members of the Board were present.

The Texas A & M Revitalization Study was reviewed and discussed. All agreed that the study was professionally done and was a good starting point for future planning. A motion was made by Dennis Kutach to present the Study to City Council for consideration and approval. John Trott seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The Board discussed the issue of authorizing 4B funds for "costing" of the A & M Study. The costing will be done in stages. Stage One would focus on streets, sidewalks, parking, utility relocation, and signs and awnings. It was mentioned that this phase could be included in the TexDot T-21 grant application. The T-21 grant procedure was discussed at length. After a discussion on the grant and the costing of Phase One, a motion was made by John Trott to request the City to contract and hire a T-21 consultant to assist the City and/or the Corporation in applying for this grant. Trott also moved to make the 4B funds available for the City to hire a consultant to "cost" Phase One of the A & M Study. Tim Faulkner seconded the motion. The motion carried. John Trott also made a motion to authorize the publication of a Public Notice and Hearing to budget 4B Sales Tax funds for these ventures approved by the Board. John Sanchez seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Christine Brown gave the Board an update on the Main Street re-certification process. The deadline to reapply is July 31. According to Ms. Brown, five cities will be selected for certification or re-certification.

Ken Kvinta briefed the Board on the existing By-laws and how they can be amended. The Board discussed certain provisions and their meaning. No further action was taken on this matter.

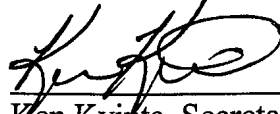
The Board discussed purchasing corporate stationary and business cards for the Board members. Tim Faulkner made a motion to approve the stationary and to approve the purchase of business cards for any member that desired the cards. Ken Kvinta seconded the motion. The motion carried.

President McMullen then adjourned the meeting to go into executive session.

Upon completion of the executive session, the meeting was reopened to the public. No action was taken on any of the matters discussed in the executive session.



Their being no further business, the meeting was adjourned by President McMullen. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be July 3, 2001. A special meeting to review the goals and objectives of the Board was tentatively set for May 8, 2001, at noon, at the offices of Jacobs-Weber Insurance Agency.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ken Kvinta', written over a horizontal line.

Ken Kvinta, Secretary

COUNCIL ITEMS FOR MAY MEETING
YOAKUM ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORP.

1. Recommend to council to approve the Texas A & M Revitalization Study.
2. Ask Council for approval for the ED Board to use 4B funds to hire a consultant to "cost" Phase 1 of the A & M study.
3. Ask the City to consider contracting and hiring a T-21 grant consultant to help prepare the City application for a T-21 grant.
4. Recommend that the City approve the Main Street Re-certification application.

May 4, 2001

Received from Mr. Ken Kvinta, Secretary/Treasurer, Yoakum Economic Development Corporation



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**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF May 16, 2001
YOAKUM ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION**

The Yoakum Economic Development Corporation Board met on May 16, 2001, at the conference room of Kvinta, Kvinta & Kvinta. All members were present. President McMullen called the meeting to order at 12:05 p.m. and welcomed all in attendance.

The contract addendum to the Texas A & M Research Agreement was presented to the Board members for their review. After some discussion, Dennis Kutach made a motion to send the addendum to Texas A & M for execution. John Trott seconded the motion. A vote was called, and the motion passed. The members voting against the motion were Annie Rodriguez and Tim Faulkner. All other members of the Board voted for the motion.

The Board next discussed the issue of the Board's relationship with the administrative departments of the City of Yoakum. Some members questioned whether or not the City has performance goals that the Economic Development director has to meet. It was the consensus of the Board that the Board should approach the City Manager with its questions and concerns about the job duties and details of the Economic Development Director. It was also mentioned that the Board might want to enter into an administrative services agreement with the City regarding the use of the ED director as a tool of the Board.

Dennis Kutach updated the Board on the possible acquisition of some property for industrial development. John Anthony Villa updated the Board on the Rails to Trails hiking/walking trail project.

The next meeting will be a combined budget meeting and meeting with the City Manager to review questions and issues regarding the role of the ED director in relation to the City and to this Board. This meeting is set for 6:30 p.m. on June 5, at the City Council chambers.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 12:40 p.m.



Ken Kvinta, Secretary

**NOTICE OF MEETING OF THE
YOAKUM ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
CORPORATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

June 5, 2001

6:30 P.M.

The Yoakum Economic Development Corporation Board of Directors will hold a meeting on Tuesday, June 5, 2001 at 6:30 P.M., City Council Chambers, located at 900 Irvine St., Yoakum, Texas.

- I. Welcome -
Margie McMullen,
President, Yoakum Economic Development Corporation Board of Directors

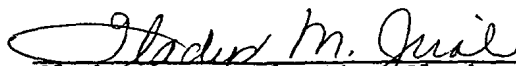
- II. Review adoption of proposed budget of expected revenues and proposed expenditures for the next ensuing fiscal year per Paragraph 8.02 Budget, Bylaws of Yoakum Economic Development Corporation.

- III. Review questions and issues regarding the role of the Economic Development Director in relation to the City and to the Yoakum Economic Development Corporation Board.

- IV. Adjournment

7-12-01
Per Mr. Veselka: Mtg. was held. Ken Kvinta, secretary, was not present. Minutes may not have been taken.
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CERTIFICATION: I certify that the above and foregoing notice was posted on the glass window adjacent to the front door of City Hall, facing the outside, on FRIDAY
June 1, 2001 at 4:15 P.M. o'clock.


Gladys M. Jiral, City Clerk

