

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MINUTES
January 24, 2005**

President Margie McMullen called the meeting to order at 12:00 P.M. All Directors were present. Minutes from the meeting of December 13, 2004 were approved with a motion by A. G. Hermann III and a second by Tim Faulkner. A printed financial report was presented by City Finance Officer Charlotte Morrow.

Under old business, City Manager Calvin Cook presented an update on the Pershing Square Project. On January 13, 2005, the Texas Historical Commission issued a letter stating the project as revised will have no adverse effect on the historic property in the area of work. Bids will be received and opened on either March 8 or 9, 2005. There will be a time period of two weeks to accept the bids.

Pat Kennedy gave an update on the Texas Capital Fund Project submitted by the City for Circle Y. Eight applications had been received by the State with one dropping out of the running. Further information from Circle Y was to be submitted.

Kennedy informed the Board that DeWitt County Habitat for Humanity, Inc. was in the process of acquiring land in Yoakum that is to be donated for this project.


Under new business, additional engineering expenses for the Pershing Square Project were approved with a motion by Louis Boening and a second by Tim Faulkner.

The City of Yoakum Tax Abatement Program was reviewed. Tim Faulkner made the motion with a second by Louis Boening to recommend continuance of the program to the City Council.

Kennedy stated that once the city is awarded the Texas Capital Fund Project, a committee needs to be established who will follow outlined procedures for evaluating and selecting a management consultant on this Project. Kennedy suggested that the Economic Development Board serve as this Review Board. This recommendation as presented was approved on motion by A. G. Hermann III and seconded by Tim Faulkner.

The final item to be presented by Kennedy was the review of a draft Performance Agreement between the Y.E.D.C. and Circle Y. A motion was made by A. G. Hermann III with a second by Tim Faulkner approving the draft for submittal and discussion with Circle Y. The required public hearing for the use of 4B sales tax money on this project was tentatively scheduled for Tuesday, February 8th at 5:30 P.M.

With no further business, the next meeting was set for Monday, February 21st at 12 P.M. in the Council Room. Meeting adjourned.



Allen Dieringer, Secretary

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MINUTES
February 15, 2005**

The meeting was called to order by President Margie McMullen at 12:10 P.M. All directors were present.

Under old business, Pat Kennedy reviewed the time frame for the Performance Agreement with Circle Y, Inc. as follows:

- (1) February 28, 2005, 5:30 P.M. – public hearing by Y.E.D.C. on proposed project, and at 6:00 P.M. Performance Agreement with Circle Y to be approved by the Y.E.D.C.
- (2) March 8, 2005, 6:00 P.M. – Yoakum City Council accepts and approves Performance Agreement.
- (3) May 2, 2005 – effective date of Agreement and first day for release of funds.

Under new business, a motion was made by A. G. Hermann III with a second by Dr. Louis Boening to amend the Y.E.D.C. budget for transfer of \$3,000 from the Contingency Fund to Travel and Training for the Economic/Community Development Coordinator.

The Board adjourned into Executive Session at 12:32 P.M. to discuss the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property (V.T.C.A. Gov. code, Sec. 551.072). The meeting was later re-opened to the public at 1:11 P.M. Action resulting from the deliberation in Executive Session was a motion by Louis Boening to deed the 6.84 acres of property located in the Industrial Foundation Park back to the City of Yoakum. The motion was seconded by A. G. Hermann III. Motion carried.

Also, a motion was made by Louis Boening for President McMullen to correspond with Don Kaspar to see if the discussed property would be donated to the Y.E.D.C., and if not donated, authorize President McMullen to offer \$18,910 for purchase. The motion was seconded by A. G. Hermann III. Motion carried.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned.



Allen Dieringer, Secretary

**YOAKUM ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MINUTES
February 28, 2005**

A public hearing was called to order by President Margie McMullen at 5:45 P.M with all Directors being present to receive citizen comments on the allocation of 4B sales tax funds covered by the Performance Agreement between the Yoakum Economic Development Corporation and Circle Y Saddles, Inc.

Economic/Community Development Coordinator Pat Kennedy outlined details of the agreement and the allocation of the 4B funds. No public comments were received.

The hearing was closed by President McMullen and a meeting of the Y.E.D.C. Board of Directors was called to order.

Minutes from the meetings of January 24th and February 15th were approved with a motion by Tommy Barre and a second by Tim Faulkner. Motion carried unanimously. A printed financial report was presented by City Finance Officer Charlotte Morrow.

Under old business, Pat Kennedy gave an update on the agreement with Circle Y Saddles and site preparations which are to be completed by December 2005 with the building to be occupied by July 2006.

Interviews with consultants to manage the Texas Capital Fund Project were held as follows:

Judy Langford, Langford Community Management Services
Rudy Ruiz, Community Development Management Company
Jason Villareal, Capital Certified Development Corporation.

The next meeting was scheduled for March 14th at 5:30 P.M.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned.


Allen Dieringer, Secretary

MAYOR Rodriguez acknowledged the recommendation and asked for a vote of the City Council. Mayor Pro-Tem Sitka made the motion to accept the recommendation and approve the request asking TxDOT not to award the bid and for the City to bid the project taking on project administration and inspection. Councilmember Bowe seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

PRESIDENT McMullen expressed sincere appreciation to Billy Goodrich and the TxDOT representatives for all the assistance that they have provided on this project.

THE joint meeting of the Council and Board ended and President McMullen proceeded with the meeting of the Corporation Board of Directors. Director Tommy Barre arrived at this time.

MOTION was made by A. G. Hermann III to adopt the minutes from the meeting of February 28, 2005 as presented. Second was made by Annie Rodriguez; motion carried unanimously.

UNDER old business, Pat Kennedy reviewed the proposed final copy of Performance Agreement between the Y.E.D.C. and Circle Y Saddles, Inc. The proposed plan indicates the site development plan to be concluded by December 31, 2005 and the building complete by July 31, 2006. Motion was made by A. G. Hermann III to move forward with plans to enact the Performance Agreement between the Y.E.D.C. and Circle Y Saddles, Inc. subject to legal review by the City Attorney and acceptance by Circle Y Saddles, Inc. Second was made by Tim Faulkner; motion carried unanimously.

PRESIDENT McMullen closed the meeting to the public at 6:07 P.M. and called for an executive session to discuss the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property (V.T.C.A. Gov. Code, Sec. 551.072). The meeting was later re-opened to the public. Action resulting from the deliberation in Executive Session was a motion by A. G. Herman, III to accept an offer from Don Kasper to purchase four lots behind the Yoakum Area Community Center for \$18,910.00 with a second by Annie Rodriguez; motion carried.

ALSO resulting from the executive session was a motion made by Tommy Barre to authorize President McMullen to respond to a Y.E.D.C. application received from Eddy Packing. The motion was seconded by Louis Boening and the motion carried.

UNDER new business, the next Y.E.D.C. meeting was scheduled for 12:00 P.M. on April 11, 2005 in the Council Chambers.

PAT Kennedy was asked to research term limits as they applied to State Laws and Y.E.D.C. By-Laws.

WITH no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:38 P.M.


Tim Faulkner, Acting Secretary

YOAKUM ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MINUTES
April 11, 2005

The meeting was called to order by President Margie McMullen at 12:05 P.M. All Directors were present. Motion by A. G. Hermann, III with a second by Louis Boening to approve the minutes of the March 14th meeting. A written financial report was presented by the City Finance Officer Charlotte Morrow.

Under new business, Economic/Community Development Coordinator Pat Kennedy discussed the Y.E.D.C. Articles of Incorporation and review and update of the By-Laws currently used. Motion by Tim Faulkner with a second by A. G. Herman, III for Pat Kennedy to prepare and present a revision of the Y.E.D.C. and By-Laws during a special meeting at 5:15 P.M. on April 25, 2005. Motion carried unanimously

The Board adjourned into Executive Session at 12:22 P.M. to discuss the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property (V.T.C.A. Gov. Code, Sec. 551.072).

Meeting reopened to the public at 12:47 P.M. There was no action resulting from Executive Session.

Meeting adjourned at 1:05 P.M. The next regular meeting is scheduled for May 9, 2005 at 12:00 P.M.



Allen Dieringer, Secretary

**YOAKUM ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MINUTES
Special Meeting of April 25, 2005**

The meeting was called to order by President Margie McMullen at 5:15 P.M. All Directors were present. Economic/Community Development Coordinator Pat Kennedy reviewed the current Y.E.D.C. By-Laws with discussion following. Motion by Tim Faulkner with a second by Tommy Barre that the amended By-Laws be presented to the City Council for their consideration. Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 5:45 P.M. The next meeting is scheduled for May 9, 2005.


Allen Dieringer, Secretary

YOAKUM ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MINUTES
May 9, 2005

The meeting was called to order by President Margie McMullen at 12:10 P.M. All Directors were present. Motion by Tommy Barre with a second by A.G. Hermann, III to approve the minutes of the April 12th and April 15th meetings. A printed financial report was presented by the City Finance Officer Charlotte Morrow.

Under old business, City Manager Calvin Cook presented an update on the Pershing Square Project. Bids are to be opened on June 7, 2005. Interested bidders on the project range from three (3) to as many as five (5).

Under new business, the Board evaluated and scored proposals from Lankford Community Management Services, Community Development Management Co. and Capital Certified Development Corporation for the Texas Capital Fund for Circle Y. Motion by Tommy Barre with a second by A. G. Hermann, III to recommend to the City Council that Capital Certified Development Corporation manage and oversee the project. Motion carried with a vote of six (6) in favor and Annie Rodriguez voting in opposition.

Board adjourned into executive session at 12:37 to discuss purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property (V.T.C.A. Gov. Code, Sec. 551.072). The meeting was re-opened to the public at 1:00 P.M. Motion was made by A. G. Herman, III with a second by Annie Rodriguez to have certain properties appraised.

The next meeting was scheduled for June 13, 2005 at 12:00 P.M.



Allen Dieringer, Secretary

YOAKUM ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MINUTES
June 13, 2005

The meeting was called to order by President Margie McMullen at 12:12 P.M. Directors Louis Boening, Annie Rodriguez, Arthur G. Hermann III, Tim Faulkner, Allen Dieringer and Tommy Barre were present. Motion by A. G. Hermann, III with a second by Tim Faulkner to approve the minutes of the May 9th meeting. Motion carried unanimously. A printed financial statement was presented by the City Finance Director Charlotte Morrow.

Under old business, City Manager Calvin Cook presented the bid from HC Equipment Company of Edna, Texas on the Pershing Square Project. The bid of \$1,396,555.84 was \$210,863.84 over the project construction estimate of \$1,185,692.00. Funds available from TxDOT for administrative costs are \$185,000. The City of Yoakum has taken on the project inspection and administration. The budget line item for Y.E.D.C. of \$25,000 is now needed for the project to begin. The Board agreed to send the proposal to the City Council for their approval so construction may start.

Under new business, Economic/Community Development Coordinator Patrick J. Kennedy gave information on the Texas Yes! Rural Travel Guide Program. A matching grant of up to \$15,000 is available from the Texas Department of Agriculture. After a brief discussion the Board advised Kennedy to proceed with the project.

The Board adjourned into Executive Session at 12:40 P.M. to (1) discuss the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property (V.T.C.A. Gov. Code, Sec. 551.072), and (2) deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, etc. of the Economic/Community Development Coordinator (V.T.C.A., Gov. Code, Sec. 551.074).

The meeting was re-opened to the Public at 1:32 P.M. Action resulting from the Executive Session was as follows: (1) Motion by Annie Rodriguez with a second by A. G. Hermann III to rent the storage building located behind the Community Center owned by the Y.E.D.C. to Tandy Brands Accessories for \$150.00 per month with the Board giving 30 days notices to the tenant should the Y.E.D.C. require the building. Also, Tandy Brands would be responsible for maintenance of the building and mowing of grass on said property. Motion carried unanimously. (2) Motion by Tim Faulkner with a second by Annie Rodriguez to amend and increase the Administrative Services contract with the City by \$3,000 for current budget year. Motion carried unanimously.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned. The next regular meeting is scheduled for July 11, 2005 at 5:00 P.M.



Allen Dieringer, Secretary

**YOAKUM ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MINUTES
July 11, 2005
Council Chambers – 5:00 P.M.**

PRESENT: Margie McMullen President
Anita R. Rodriguez Vice-President
Allen Dieringer Secretary
Louis Boening Director
Arthur G. Hermann, III Director
Tommy Barre Director
Tim Faulkner Director
Patrick J. Kennedy E/C Development Coordinator

ABSENT: None

The meeting was called to order by President Margie McMullen at 5:01 P.M. All Directors were present. Motion by A. G. Hermann, III with a second by Tim Faulkner to approve the minutes of the June 13th meeting. Motion carried unanimously. A printed financial statement was presented by the City Finance Director Charlotte Morrow.

The Board adjourned into executive session at 5:02 P.M. to deliberate the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property (V.T.C.A. Gov. Code Sec. 551.072).

The meeting was reopened to the public at 6:05 P.M. Action resulting from the Executive Session was as follows:

- (1) Motion by Louis Boening with a second by Tommy Barre to negotiate purchase of Railroad Property from West Grand to Hopkins St. Motion carried unanimously.

After discussion of the 2005-2006 Budget and Work Plan, there was a motion by A. G. Hermann, III with a second by Annie Rodriguez to approve a budget of \$412,350 for submission to the City Council for their approval. Motion carried unanimously.

Under old business, City Manager Calvin Cook gave an update on the Pershing Square Project. Mr. Cook stated that the City is waiting on a confirmation letter from TxDOT and construction should begin no later than September 1, 2005.

Patrick J. Kennedy reviewed and discussed the Partnership in Parks Program.

Under new business, Kennedy presented a resolution for participation in the Texas Department of Agriculture's Texas Yes! Rural Travel Guide Program. Motion by Annie Rodriguez with a second by Louis Boening to adopt a resolution (recorded as No. 5) and allocate \$1,000 toward the project. Motion carried unanimously.

The next meeting is scheduled for August 8, 2005 at 12:00 P.M.


Allen Dieringer, Secretary

**YOAKUM ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MINUTES
August 8, 2005
Council Chambers – 12:00 P.M.**

PRESENT: Margie McMullen President
Anita R. Rodriguez Vice-President
Allen Dieringer. Secretary
Louis Boening Director
Arthur G. Hermann, III Director
Tommy Barre Director
Tim Faulkner Director
Patrick J. Kennedy. E/C Development Coordinator

ABSENT: None

The meeting was called to order by President Margie McMullen at 12:18 P.M. Motion by A. G. Hermann, III with a second by Tim Faulkner to approve the minutes of the July 11th meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

A printed financial statement was presented by the City Finance Director Charlotte Morrow. Motion by Louis Boening with a second by A. G. Hermann, III to accept. Motion carried unanimously.

Under old business, City Manager Calvin Cook gave an update on the Pershing Square Project. A meeting has been set for August 15, 2005 in the Council Chambers at 6:00 P.M. for interested parties to be informed on the start up of the project. Construction should commence the week of August 22, 2005.

Patrick J. Kennedy, Economic/Community Development Coordinator, discussed the Partnership in Parks Program. Seventy-five thousand dollars (\$75,000) of the \$150,000 grant has been received and the purchase of playground equipment from Miracle is being considered by the City Council.

Kennedy also gave an update on the Texas Yes! Rural Travel Guide Program with the neighboring counties that are involved in the program. Travel brochures should be available by the end of the year.

Under new business, Kennedy asked the Board to submit an application for Yoakum Economic Development Corporation to become members of the Texas Yes! Program. Motion was made by Tim Faulkner with a second by Louis Boening to submit a membership application to the Texas Yes! Program for the Yoakum EDC. Motion carried unanimously.

The Board adjourned into Executive Session at 12:25 P.M. to deliberate the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property (V.T.C.A. Gov. Code, Sec. 551.072). Meeting reopened to the public at 1:56 P.M. with no action resulting from the Executive Session.

The next meeting is scheduled for September 12, 2005 at 5:00 P.M.


Allen Dieringer, Secretary

YOAKUM ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MINUTES
September 12, 2005
Council Chambers – 5:00 PM

PRESENT: Margie McMullen President
Anita R. Rodriguez Vice-President
Allen Dieringer Director
Louis Boening Director
Tommy Barre Director
Tim Faulkner Director
Patrick J. Kennedy E/C Development Coordinator

ABSENT: Arthur Hermann III Director

The meeting was called to order by President Margie McMullen at 5:04 PM. Motion was made by Louis Boening with a second by Tommy Barre to approve the minutes of the August 8, 2005 meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

A printed financial statement was presented by the City Finance Director Charlotte Morrow. A motion was made by Tim Faulkner with a second by Annie Rodriguez to accept the financial statement as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Present officers were elected by acclamation for the coming year with a motion by Tommy Barre and second by Louis Boening. Motion carried unanimously.

Under Old Business, City Manager Calvin Cook gave an update on the Pershing Square Project. Work has started but progress has been slow due to the contractor having a large project in Mathis that is being finalized.

Economic/Community Development Coordinator discussed the Partnerships in Parks Program. Playground equipment has been ordered and should be arriving soon. The rebuilding of restrooms was also discussed but no action has been taken at this time.

Kennedy also updated the Board on the Texas Yes! Rural Travel Guide Program. It will be a six (6) month project with four (4) counties participating. The City of Yoakum is the grant recipient on this project.

The final item under Old Business that Kennedy reported on was the Texas Capital Fund application on Circle Y, Inc. and Eddy Packing Co. The Circle Y, Inc. application has not been finalized and the Eddy Packing Co. application is in progress.

Under New Business, Kennedy informed the Board that the City had received information about the possibility of establishing a "Sister City" relationship with a Mexican city through the U.S. Sister Cities Program. The consensus of the Board was to look at this program at a later date.

The Board adjourned into Executive Session at 6:03 PM to deliberate the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property (V.T.C.A. Gov Code 551.072). Meeting reopened to the Public at 7:25 PM.

Action resulting from Executive Session:

Motion was made by Louis Boening with a second by Tim Faulkner to authorize Tommy Barre to contact a contractor for a building addition. Motion carried with one vote of Nay by Allen Dieringer.

A motion was made by Tim Faulkner with a second by Tommy Barre to accept a proposal from Jacque Schumacker DBA DeWitt/Poth and Son with enthusiasm and support. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Louis Boening with second by Tim Faulkner to contact Nathan Block to participate in discussion with railroad property. The Economic Development Corporation is to pay travel and expenses. Motion carried unanimously.

The next meeting was set for October 10, 2005 at a time to be announced.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.


Allen Dieringer, Acting Secretary

YOAKUM ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MINUTES
October 10, 2005
Council Chambers – 12:00 PM

PRESENT: Margie McMullen..... President
Anita R. Rodriguez..... Vice-President
Allen Dieringer..... Secretary
Tommy Barre..... Director
Louis Boening..... Director
Tim Faulkner..... Director
Arthur Hermann III..... Director
Patrick J. Kennedy..... E/C Development Coordinator

ABSENT: None

The meeting was called to order by President Margie McMullen at 12:00 PM. Motion was made by Annie Rodriguez with a second by Tommy Barre to approve the minutes of the September 12, 2005 meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

A printed financial statement was presented by the City Finance Director Charlotte Morrow. A motion was made by Louis Boening with a second by Tim Faulkner to accept the financial statement as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Under Old Business, City Manager Calvin Cook gave an update on the Pershing Square Project. The quality of work being done by the Contractor has not been to expectations in some areas. As the City does not have an engineer on staff, the staff that is overseeing the project is spending as much time on it as possible.

Patrick J. Kennedy gave an update on the Partnership in Parks Program. The playground equipment is up and in place. The budget for the restrooms is \$60,000 however; preliminary cost estimates are substantially higher.

Kennedy also gave an update on the Texas Yes! Rural Travel Guide Program. Funds have been collected from several partners in the project of \$1,000 each. A fifty-two (52) page book should be out by Christmas and available for distribution. Five hundred (500) copies will go to each Partner. Books will be placed in travel centers in Texas.

The final item of old business presented by Kennedy was an update on the Texas Capital Fund projects. Circle Y has not met special conditions in the contract. Deadline is approaching and the Administrator Jason Villarreal with Capital Certified Development Corporation is to contact Circle Y to set up a meeting to see that the project moves forward. The second project the City is involved with is for Eddy Packing Co., Inc. This project will resolve a water shortage problem by installing a 250,000 gallon storage tank. Additional information is being sought by the Texas Department of Agriculture.


Under New Business, Kennedy presented the Texas Certified Retirement Community Program. The program involves retirement for retirees and encourages tourism in Texas. When submitting an application a fee of \$5,000 is required. More in depth information will be presented at the next meeting.

The Board adjourned into Executive Session at 1:00 PM to discuss purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property (V.T.C.A. Gov. Code, Sec. 551.072)

Meeting reopened to the public at 1:40 PM. Action resulting from the Executive Session as follows: motion by Louis Boening with a second by Tim Faulkner that City Manager Calvin Cook contact Eddy Packing Co. Inc. and inform them that Yoakum EDC was unable to acquire the land and building that adjoins their property. Motion carried unanimously.

The next meeting was set for November 7, 2005 at a time to be announced.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.


Allen Dieringer, Secretary

YOAKUM ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MINUTES

November 7, 2005

Council Chambers – 12:00 PM

PRESENT: Margie McMullen. President
Anita R. Rodriguez. Vice-President
Allen Dieringer. Secretary
Tommy Barre. Director
Louis Boening Director
Tim Faulkner Director
Arthur Hermann III Director
Patrick J. Kennedy. E/C Development Coordinator

ABSENT: None

The meeting was called to order by President Margie McMullen at 12:10 PM. Motion was made by Louis Boening with a second by Arthur Hermann III to approve the minutes of the October 10, 2005 meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

A printed financial statement was presented by the City Finance Director Charlotte Morrow. Motion was made by Tim Faulkner with a second by Arthur Hermann III to accept the financial statement as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Under Old Business, City Manager Calvin Cook gave an update on the Pershing Square Project. The different elevations that are visible in the sidewalks are the only way that work can be accomplished because of the downtown buildings not being uniform. The engineer from Maverick has revisited some problems on the project.

Cook also met with Eddy Packing, Inc. on October 18, 2005 and the property exchange project has been withdrawn.

Patrick J. Kennedy reported that there have been no changes on the Texas Certified Retirement Community Program for Yoakum since his last report.

Kennedy also reported that the Texas Yes! Rural Travel Guide Program is on schedule as most information has now been collected.

The final item addressed by Kennedy was the applications on the Texas Capital Fund. The Circle Y Saddles, Inc. contract still needs special conditions to be met. A conference is scheduled to discuss the future direction.

The Eddy Packing, Inc. project will pursue the marginal funds available for infrastructure to add water storage to satisfy their future use due to expansion and adding additional employees.

The Board adjourned into Executive Session at 12:35 PM to discuss purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property (V.T.C.A. Gov. Code, Sec. 551.072)

Meeting reopened to the public at 1:30 PM. No action resulted from the executive session.

The next meeting was set for December 12, 2005 at a time to be announced.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.


Allen Dieringer, Secretary

YOAKUM ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MINUTES

December 8, 2005

Council Chambers – 12:00 PM

PRESENT: Margie McMullen. President
Anita R. Rodriguez. Vice-President
Allen Dieringer. Secretary
Tommy Barre. Director
Louis Boening Director
Tim Faulkner Director
Arthur Hermann III Director
Patrick J. Kennedy. E/C Development Coordinator

ABSENT: None

The meeting was called to order by President Margie McMullen at 12:10 PM. Motion was made by Tim Faulkner with a second by Arthur Hermann III to approve the minutes of the November 7, 2005 meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

A printed financial statement was presented by the City Finance Director Charlotte Morrow. Motion was made by Louis Boening with a second by Arthur Hermann III to accept the financial statement as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Under Old Business, City Manager Calvin Cook gave an update on the Pershing Square Project. The schedule required sidewalks to be completed by December 14, 2005. Contractor was running behind on that Phase of the Project. Mr. Cook also addressed the problems presented by the lack of supervision on the Project. The Contractor has assured Mr. Cook that this problem would be corrected.

Economic/Community Development Coordinator Patrick J. Kennedy gave a report on recognition process which entailed project recognition for individuals who have made donations on the Pershing Square Project. Kennedy gave an update on pending Capital Fund applications. Circle Y Saddles, Inc. was to amend their contract by December 21, 2005 so the amendment could move forward. Eddy Packing Co., Inc. would pursue grant to City of Yoakum for \$500,000 for improvement to the water system that services that facility. Kennedy also reported that Partnerships in Parks Programs were finalizing plans for rebuilding restrooms adjacent to the covered pavilion and remodeling other restrooms with funds that were allocated.

The final item under Old Business addressed by Kennedy was the Texas Yes! Rural Travel Guide brochure. A rough draft had been prepared with some changes to be made so it could be presented to Texas Department of Agriculture for their approval. Distribution is still tentative for the end of January 2006.

Under New Business, Kennedy presented the only proposal for administrative services for the 2005 HOME Project as presented by Langford Community Management Services. Motion was made by Louis Boening with second by Tommy Barre to submit the proposal to the City Council for their approval. Motion carried unanimously.

The Board adjourned into Executive Session at 1:15 PM to discuss the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property (V.T.C.A. Gov. Code, Sec. 551.072)

Meeting reopened to the public at 1:20 PM. No action resulted from the executive session.

The next meeting was set for January 9, 2006 at a time to be announced.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.


Allen Dieringer, Secretary