



**HUTCHINS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
HUTCHINS CITY HALL, 321 MAIN STREET
DECEMBER 17, 2009**

ATTENDANCE:

BOARD MEMBERS

Artis Johnson, President
Raymond Elmore, Vice President
Norma Harlin
Alex Love
Lloyd Miller
Kenneth Pitts

I. Call meeting to order

President Artis Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. The meeting was held at the Hutchins EDC Building, 103 Palestine St., Hutchins, TX

II. Invocation

The invocation was given by Mr. Johnson.

III. Roll call

President Johnson called roll. Board Member Alex Love was absent.

IV. Discussion and necessary action regarding approval of minutes of the HEDC meetings held on November 12, 2009.

After review, Mr. Elmore made a motion to accept the minutes of the November 12, 2009, Meeting. Mr. Pitts seconded the motion and it passed 5 – 0.

- V.** Discussion and action to authorize the President of the Hutchins Economic Development Corporation to spend \$2,000 to pay for the cost of an appraisal for the property located at 500 W. Palestine.

Mr. Johnson explained that the City had the opportunity to purchase the old Hutchins Elementary School from DISD. State law allows local political units to buy surplus property from other political units at the appraised value. Mr. Johnson went on to explain that if the City purchased the property outright from DISD there would be “no strings attached” and the City could do whatever they wanted to do with the property. The \$2,000 is needed to get the appraisal and start the purchasing process.

Mr. Elmore made a motion to authorize the President of the Hutchins Economic Development Corporation to spend \$2,000 to pay for the cost of an appraisal for the property located at 500 W. Palestine. Mr. Pitts seconded the motion and it passed 5 – 0.

VI. Discussion and necessary action to consider a resolution declaring intention to undertake Wintergreen Road paving project and calling for a public hearing.

Mr. Elmore made a motion to declare HEDC's intention to undertake the Wintergreen Road paving project and calling for a public hearing on January 14. Mr. Lloyd seconded the motion and it passed 5 – 0.

VII. Discussion and necessary action regarding membership to Best Southwest Cities.

Mr. Pitts made a motion to join Best Southwest as an associate member at a cost of \$1,000 per year. Mr. Miller seconded the motion and it passed 5 – 0.

VIII. Reports/ IX. Approval of Reports:

John Hubbard presented a written report on activity in Hutchins and gave a brief overview of his achievements for the last month. There were no other reports. Mr. Elmore made a motion approve the reports. Mr. Pitts seconded the motion and it passed 5 – 0.

X Citizen Forum – No citizens spoke at this meeting.

XI. Executive Session:

- a. Section 551.074, Personnel Matters: To deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline or dismissal of a public officer or employee: Executive Director

XII. Reconvene and consider action, if any, resulting from Executive Session.

The Board entered into executive session at 6:55 p.m. The Board reconvened at 7:22 p.m. A motion was made by Mr. Elmore to extend the probation of the Executive Director by 90 days. Mr. Miller seconded the motion. The motion passed, 5 – 0.

XIII. Adjournment

No further business was conducted. The Board by unanimous vote adjourned the meeting at 7: 22 p.m.

Approved:

Artis Johnson, President