**MULESHOE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION**

**MINUTES**

**Regular Meeting**

**Thursday, February 8, 2018– 5:30 PM**

**COUNCIL CHAMBERS - CITY HALL**

**Prayer and Pledge led by President Dustin Cleavinger. A quorum was established and the meeting was called to order at 5:31 PM.**

 **Present: Dustin Cleavinger Sarah Santos**

 **Gilrobert Rennels Colt Ellis**

 **Joe Osterkamp**

 **Kasey Coker LeAnn Gallman**

**AGENDA**

1. **Approval of Minutes**
* Colt Ellis moved to accept minutes from the October 5, 2018 meeting. Gilrobert Rennels seconded and the motion carried unanimously.
1. **Consider Contract Renewal with Leading EDG/ Matty McLain**
* After discussion about the last year of services with Leading EDG and Matty McLain, Joe Osterkamp moved to renew the contract with Leading EDG for another year. Colt Ellis seconded and all were in favor. The motion carried.
1. **Discussion and Consideration of Proposal by The Perryman Group**
* There was discussion of the proposal of a Target Industry Study for Muleshoe in the amount of $21,600. No action was taken.
1. **Discussion of differences of Type A and Type B Economic Development Corporations**
* The Board, Director, and City Manager discussed the value of switching to a Type B project and what changes would come with that. It was suggested that we invite the Texas Economic Development Council Executive Director, Carlton Schwab, to visit more with the Board.
1. **The Board entered into Closed Session at 6:23 PM in Accordance with Vernon’s Texas Codes Annotated, Government, Section 551.087- Deliberation Regarding Economic Development Negotiations. Leal’s Tortilla Factory- The meeting resumed in Open Session at 6:30 PM.**
2. **Gilrobert Rennels moved to forward the Leal’s Tortilla Factory Application to a Due Diligence Committee to review financials. Sarah Santos seconded. The motion carried with a vote of 5-0.**
3. **Administrative Reports**

Financials were distributed

Workforce Update

-MHS is trying to establish a stronger tie with local industry. They have formed a committee to lead this endeavor.

TEDC Conference will be held in February 21- February 23rd

High Ground Initiatives

-AWEA Wind Show- February 26th -28th, San Diego

-Spring Meeting-April 25th-26th, Plainview

- NPE Plastics- May 7th-11th , Orlando

Project Updates

-Eevolve- 9 employees and 4 owners, Loan Balance- $33,102.36

-L & L Pallet- 18 employees (Ruiz/ Cramer Buildings), Loan Balance- $167,567.58

Motion to Adjour was made by Joe Osterkamp and seconded by Colt Ellis. Motion carried by all and the meeting adjourned at 6:36 PM.

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Dustin Cleavinger, President Gilrobert Rennels, Secretary/ Treasurer