



JEDCO Executive Committee
July 25, 2019 8:30 A.M.
JEDCO Administration Building
700 Churchill Parkway, Avondale, LA 70094

MINUTES

Call to Order: 8:30 a.m.

Attendance: Mickal Adler, Jimmy Baum, Mario Bazile, Lloyd Clark, Lesha Freeland, Tom Gennaro, Brian Heiden, Teresa Lawrence

Staff: Jerry Bologna, Lacey Bordelon, Cynthia Grows, Jennifer Lapeyrouse, Scott Rojas, Kelsey Scram, Penny Weeks

Absences: Bruce Dantin, Roy Gattuso, Stephen Robinson

Attorney: Bryan McManus – Jefferson Parish Attorney’s Office

Guests: None

I. Call to Order – Chairman, Lloyd Clark

Chairman Clark opened the meeting by leading in the Pledge of Allegiance.

- **Approval of Board absences for today, July 25, 2019** – Jimmy Baum motioned to approve the above named absences, second by Mickal Adler. The motion passed unanimously.
- **Approval of minutes for June 27, 2019** – Jimmy Baum motioned to approve the minutes, seconded by Lesha Freeland. The motion passed unanimously.

II. Public Comments on Agenda Items

None

III. Unfinished and New Business

- **Approval of JEDCO 2020 Proposed Budget – Cynthia Grows**
Ms. Grows presented the proposed budget. After discussion, Mickal Adler motioned to approve as presented, seconded by Tom Gennaro. The motion passed unanimously.

IV. Monthly Financial Report

• June 2019 – **Cynthia Grows**

Brian Heiden motioned to approve as presented, seconded by Lesha Freeland. The motion passed unanimously.

V. President & CEO Report – Jerry Bologna

- Jerry and staff participated in meetings with two South Korean Companies; a truck chassis assembly operation interested in the Avondale site, and a chemical manufacturer interested in the Cornerstone site.
- Jerry advised that until the owner of Hubig's Pies signs the property lease, JEDCO would not identify Hubig's location in Jefferson Parish.
- Mary Martens, JEDCO's Business Retention and Expansion Specialist, was nominated for the Millennial Awards for Economic Development. Kate Wendel was promoted to Economic Workforce and Development Manager, replacing Kate Moreano.
- JEDCO's Finance Department was acknowledged for their increased loan activity. In addition to the loans already funded in 2019, there are sixteen SBA 504 loans in the pipeline.
- At the conclusion of LaPorte's three-year contract, Mickey Simon conducted an Audit Exit Interview. Mr. Simon expressed to Jerry his highest praise to the JEDCO staff and especially to Cynthia Grows and Debbie Ritter.

VI. Other Updates or Comments from the JEDCO Board of Commissioners

None

VII. Adjournment – Teresa Lawrence motioned to adjourn, seconded by Tom Gennaro.

The motion passed unanimously.



Tom Gennaro

JEDCO Secretary

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