

**Iberia Economic Development Authority
Official Minutes of the Regular Meeting
Thursday – January 26, 2017**

Board of Commissioners of the Iberia Economic Development Authority
101 Burke Street, in New Iberia, LA 70560

John Bellefontaine called the meeting to order and called for roll.

Members Present: Chad Courtois, Benny Menard, John Bellefontaine, Roy Pontiff, Jody Suire

Members Absent:

Others Present: Mike Tarantino, Evelyn Ducote, Jeff Simon, Zach Hager, Marc Berard

Mr. Bellefontaine asked the commissioners to refer to agenda item number 4: Election of officers for the calendar year 2017. Mr. Bellefontaine opened the floor for nominations. Chad Courtois nominated John Bellefontaine for Chairman. The nomination was seconded by Benny Menard and passed unanimously. Benny Menard nominated Roy Pontiff for Vice-Chairman. The nomination was seconded by Chad Courtois and passed unanimously. Roy Pontiff nominated Benny Menard for Secretary. The nomination was seconded by Chad Courtois and passed unanimously. Chad Courtois nominated Jody Suire for Treasurer. The nomination was seconded by Roy Pontiff and passed unanimously.

The Officers of the Iberia Economic Development Authority for the calendar year 2017 are:

Chairman: John Bellefontaine

Vice-Chairman: Roy Pontiff

Secretary: Benny Menard

Treasurer: Jody Suire

Commissioner At-Large: Chad Courtois

Mr. Bellefontaine asked the commissioners to review the minutes of the regular December 2016 meeting. On a motion by Chad Courtois, seconded by Benny Menard, the minutes were unanimously approved. Mr. Bellefontaine asked the commissioners to review the December 2016 financials. On a motion by Chad Courtois, seconded by Benny Menard, the financials for December 2016 were unanimously approved.

Mr. Bellefontaine asked the commissioners to refer to agenda item number 7: Public hearing on resolution authorizing Chairman to execute the boundary agreement with Joshua R. Rhodes and Renee Elizabeth Gaston Rhodes. Mr. Bellefontaine asked for a motion to open the hearing. On a motion by Benny Menard, seconded by Jody Suire, with unanimous consent, the public hearing was opened. With no public comment or discussion, Mr. Bellefontaine asked for a motion to close the public hearing. On a motion by Jody Suire, seconded by Roy Pontiff, the public hearing was closed with unanimous consent.

Mr. Bellefontaine asked the commissioners to refer to agenda item number 8: Discuss and consider resolution authorizing Chairman to execute the boundary agreement with Joshua R. Rhodes and Renee Elizabeth Gaston Rhodes. On a motion by Chad Courtois, seconded by Jody Suire, the resolution passed with unanimous consent.

Mr. Bellefontaine asked the commissioners to refer to agenda item number 9: Discuss and consider resolution attesting commitment of all funds necessary to complete relocation agreement with EnLink LIG, LLC. On a motion by Benny Menard, seconded by Chad Courtois, the resolution passed unanimous consent.

Mr. Bellefontaine invited Mr. Tarantino to proceed with his business park and funding update. Mr. Tarantino invited Zach Hager, Director of Site Development at One Acadiana, to give the commissioners an overview of the Louisiana Economic Development (LED) Certified Sites Program. Mr. Hager answered questions regarding due diligence actions items that IEDA would need to complete in order for Progress Point Business Park to be considered for the program. Mr. Tarantino then continued with his business park and funding update, as well has his economic development update.

With no further business to come before the commissioners, the meeting was adjourned with a motion by Jody Suire, seconded by Benny Menard. The next regular meeting is scheduled for Thursday, February 23, 2017 at 7:30 am.