

Iberia Economic Development Authority
Regular Meeting Minutes
Friday, July 31st
Board of Commissioners of the Iberia Economic Development Authority
met on Friday, July 31st, 2026, at 7:30 a.m. at
101 Burke Street, New Iberia, LA 70560

The meeting was called to order by Scott Saunier, and the roll was called for.

Members Present: Scott Saunier, Korey Kimball, Bart Romero

Members Absent: Cecil Hymel

Others Present: Michael Tarantino, Jeff Simon, Elizabeth Belton, Lauren Wright, Evelyn Ducote, Troy Villa (Zoom)

Public Comments: None

A motion was made by Bart Romero, seconded by Korey Kimball, and unanimously accepted, to go into Executive Session to discuss strategy and/or negotiations with respect to prospective litigation with the Iberia Parish School District and the Iberia Parish Sheriff's Office, after formal written demand when an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the bargaining or litigating position of the public body. Mrs. Belton, Ms. Wright, and Mrs. Ducote were excused. Mr. Tarantino and Mr. Villa were invited to stay for the remainder of the Executive Session. On a motion by Korey Kimball, seconded by Bart Romero, the motion to close the Executive Session was unanimously approved. Upon going back into regular session, Mr. Simon reported that no action was taken during the Executive Session.

Mr. Saunier asked the Commissioners to review the June 2026 and Special Meeting minutes from July 20th, 2026. On a motion by Korey Kimball, seconded by Bart Romero, the regular and special meeting minutes for the month of June and July were unanimously approved.

Mr. Saunier asked the Commissioners to review the financials for the month of June 2026. On a motion by Korey Kimball, seconded by Bart Romero, the financials were unanimously approved.

Mr. Saunier asked the Commissioners to discuss and consider nominations to elect an IEDA Treasurer

A motion was made by Bart Romero, seconded by Scott Saunier to appoint Korey Kimball as IEDA Treasurer.

Mr. Saunier asked the Commissioners to discuss and consider the signing of the Attestation Questionnaire for the Fiscal Year ending on 6/30/2026

A motion was made by Bart Romero, seconded by Korey Kimball authorizing the signing of the Attestation questionnaire for the Fiscal Year ending 06/30/26.

Mr. Saunier asked the Commissioners to discuss and consider Discuss and consider IEDA participation in the Certified Sites Program

A motion was made by Scott Saunier, seconded by Korey Kimball for IEAD to participate in the Certified Sites Program.

Mr. Saunier asked Mr. Tarantino to give his Business Park update. Mr. Tarantino introduced Chase Berard of C.H. Fenstermaker and reported that things are continuing to move forward and are on track with funding and design. Mr. Tarantino reported that the first planning and zoning meeting will take place on August 17th.

Mr. Saunier asked Mr. Tarantino to give his Economic Development Update. Mr. Tarantino reported on the economic indicators for the month of June.

On a motion by Bart Romero, seconded by Korey Kimball, and unanimously approved, the meeting was adjourned. The next regular meeting is scheduled for Friday, August 28th, 2026, at 7:30 AM. The meeting will be held at the IDF Offices.