

RICHARD WARREN, PRESIDENT
SHELLEY FULLER, BOARD MEMBER
CHUCK ENGELKEN, BOARD MEMBER
JAY MARTIN, BOARD MEMBER



MIKE CLAUSEN, BOARD MEMBER
RANDY WOODARD, BOARD MEMBER
NANCY OJEDA, BOARD MEMBER

MINUTES OF LA PORTE DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION BOARD MEETING OF APRIL 25, 2016

The City of La Porte Development Corporation Board met on **April 25, 2016**, at the City Hall Council Chambers, 604 West Fairmont Parkway, La Porte, Texas, 77571, at **5:00 p.m.** to consider the following items of business:

1. CALL TO ORDER

President Richard Warren called the meeting to order at 5:02 p.m. The following members of the La Porte Development Corporation Board were present: Board members Fuller, Clausen, Woodard, Martin and Ojeda. Staff Present: Corby Alexander, Patrice Fogarty, Scott Livingston, and Clark Askins. Chuck Engelken arrived at 5:06 p.m.

2. CONSENT *(All consent agenda items are considered routine by the La Porte Development Corporation Board and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Board member requests an item be removed and considered separately.)*

(a) Consider approval or other action of minutes of the La Porte Development Corporation Board meeting held on March 31, 2016 – P. Fogarty

(b) Receive Financial Report – S. Livingston

(c) Consider approval or other action authorizing Staff to execute payment number 2 of 3 in the amount of \$5,000.00 to Richard Design Services, Inc., at 1200 State Highway 146 La Porte, Texas, in accordance with terms of incentive agreement – S. Livingston

Board member Clausen moved to approve the Consent Agenda items pursuant to staff recommendations. Board member Martin seconded. **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY 6/0.** Board member Engelken was not present to vote.

3. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

(a) Discussion and possible action appointment of a Vice-President to the La Porte Development Corporation Board – S. Livingston

Economic Development Coordinator Scott Livingston presented a summary.

Board member Engelken arrived at 5:06 p.m.

Board member Martin moved to appoint Board member Nancy Ojeda as vice-president to fill the unexpired vice-president term until the end of September 2016, or until a successor has been appointed. President Warren seconded. **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY 7/0.**

- (b) Consider approval or other action authorizing Staff to publish a 60-day notice of a public hearing to be held on June 27, 2016, to consider awarding an economic incentive grant to Northern Safety & Industrial, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$300,000.00 – S. Livingston

Economic Development Coordinator Scott Livingston presented a summary.

Board member Martin asked if the project is a consolidation of more than one store. Luis Garcia, President of Northern Safety & Industrial Inc., responded yes, the Pasadena distribution center will be consolidated.

At this time the regular meeting was recessed at 5:23 p.m., in order to convene an executive session on this item.

Board members reconvened the regular open meeting at 5:47 p.m. regarding this item.

Board member Clausen moved to authorize Staff to publish a 60-day notice of a public hearing to be held on June 27, 2016, to consider awarding an economic incentive grant to Northern Safety & Industrial, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$300,000.00. Board member Woodard seconded. **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY 7/0.**

4. SET DATE FOR NEXT MEETING

Board members set the next meeting dates for Monday, May 23, 2016, and Monday, June 27, 2016, both at 5:00 p.m.

- 5. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS** regarding matters appearing on agenda; recognition of community members, city employees, and upcoming events; inquiry of staff regarding specific factual information or existing policies.

There were no comments.

- 6. EXECUTIVE SESSION** – The La Porte Development Corporation reserves the right to meet in executive session on any agenda item should the need arise and if authorized by the Texas Open Meetings Act, Title 5, Chapter 551, of the Texas Government Code, including, but not limited to, the following:

Texas Government Code, Section 551.087(1) and (2) – Deliberations regarding Economic Development Negotiations: Meet with Economic Development Coordinator to discuss commercial/financial information received from a business prospect for a proposed business expansion in La Porte and with whom the La Porte Development Corporation is conducting economic development negotiations, and deliberate possible offer of financial incentive for same.

See minutes under Item 3b.

- 7. RECONVENE** into regular session and consider action, if any, on items discussed in executive session.

See minutes under Item 3b.

8. ADJOURN

There being no further business, Board member Woodard moved to adjourn the meeting at 5:50 p.m. Board member Engelken seconded. **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY 7/0.**

Respectfully submitted,

Patrice Fogarty, City Secretary

Passed and approved on this 23rd day of May, 2016.

President Richard Warren