

**EASTLAND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, INC.
BOARD MEETING
September 16, 2019**

The Eastland Economic Development, Inc. Board of Directors met in the Commission Chambers at Eastland City Hall as scheduled, and notice was posted 72 hours in advance and prior to the meeting.

Members Present:

Board Member _____	Vicki Bradley
Board Member _____	Mark Pipkin
Board Member _____	Carolyn White
Board Member _____	Jason Cochran
Executive Director _____	Tom Bailey

Members Absent:

Board Member _____	James Doyle
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City Staff Present:

City Manager _____	Ron Duncan
City Secretary _____	Roma Holley

Guests:

I. Meeting Called to Order

Vicki Bradley called the meeting to order at 08:00 a.m.

II. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

The Invocation was offered by Ron Duncan and Jason Cochran led the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. Public Comment on any subject not Listed on this Agenda
(Limited to Five Minutes Per Speaker)

There were no comments.

IV. The EEDI Board of Directors may Discuss and Take Action on the Following Agenda Items:

1. Discuss and Consider withdrawal of offer to sell the Benifiel Property, located on

Interstate 20, to McLaw Ventures, Inc. The property is further described as: 1.65 acres of land, more or less, out of the George Haig Survey, Abstract No. 160, and being that tract conveyed to Roy P. Tiner et ux. by B.E. Hanson et ux. by deed recorded in volume 1344, Page 114, Official Public Records of Eastland County, Texas, which was in turn part of a 79.93 acre tract deeded to B.E. Hanson by O.J. Treadway et ux. by deed recorded in Volume 577, Page 139, Eastland County Deed Records.

Executive Director Tom Bailey began the discussion by giving the dates that the prior actions had been taken in regards to this property. He stated that on November 1, 2018 Sam Lawson made a request to buy this property, which is adjacent to his property on which the “Red Star Truck Stop” was located

On November 15, 2018, the EEDI board voted to sell the above listed property to Sam Lawson for \$7,500.

In June 2019 Mr. Lawson asked Mr. Bailey to verify if the sale of the property was still an option. At the June 10, 2019 board meeting the decision to sell the property to Mr. Lawson was restated.

Around August 19, 2019 Mr. Bailey sent Mr. Lawson an unsigned deed for his approval along with mailing instructions. Mr. Bailey stated that the official deed would be sent upon receipt of the funds.

Mr. Lawson called on August 22, 2019 with a valid concern about the valued tax statement from the appraisal district. Mr. Bailey contacted the Eastland County Appraisal District and the statement was rectified.

At this time Mr. Lawson states that he is working with Oncor Electricity to determine how much electricity they have in order to determine what exactly they can build.

Mr. Bailey has made several efforts to encourage Mr. Lawson to complete this transaction with no movement from Mr. Lawson.

The board discussed the possibility of withdrawing the offer to sell this property to Mr. Lawson at this time.

Mark Pipkin made a motion, seconded by Jason Cochran to withdraw the offer to sell the above listed property to Sam Lawson until further discussion takes place.

Motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes: Cochran, White, Pipkin
Nays: None
Absent: None

- V. Executive Session in accordance with Texas Government Code § 551.072, deliberation about real property:

§ 551.072 - Benifiel Property Transaction

An Executive Session was not needed at this time.

IX Adjournment

Carolyn White made a motion, seconded by Jason Cochran to adjourn at 08:15 a.m. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes: Cochran, White, Pipkin

Nays: None

Absent: None

Approved:

Vicki Bradley, Chairman
EEDI Board

Attest:

Roma Holley, City Secretary