

**MINUTES**

**AMARILLO ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**January 23, 2018**

The meeting of the AEDC Board of Directors was held at 801 S. Fillmore, Suite 205, Amarillo, Texas at 11:00 am on January 23, 2018. Board members in attendance were:

<b>Voting Members</b>	<b>Board Position</b>	<b>Present</b>	<b>No. Meetings Held</b>	<b>No. Meetings Attended</b>
Brian Heinrich	Chairman	Y	21	21
Laura Street	Vice-Chairman - Secretary	Y	9	9
Lloyd Brown	Director	N	1	0
Brian Bruckner	Director	Y	42	38
Craig Gualtiere	Director	Y	21	20

Also in attendance were the following staff members:

BARRY ALBRECHT	PRESIDENT & CEO
DOUG NELSON	SR. VICE-PRES. FINANCIAL SERVICES
BRIAN JENNINGS	SR. VICE-PRES. BUS. DEVELOPMENT
REAGAN HALES	VICE-PRES. MARKETING & COMMUNICATIONS
CHRIS LYLES	OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR

Other business partners in attendance were:

MICHAEL REEVES	PORTS-TO-PLAINS ALLIANCE
BRIAN CRAWFORD	TEXAS DEPT OF TRANSPORTATION
RONNIE WALKER	XCEL ENERGY

- ITEM 1: Chairman Heinrich established that a quorum was present and called the meeting to order.
- ITEM 2: Chairman Heinrich requested a motion to approve the minutes of the December 19, 2017 Board of Directors meeting. Director Bruckner made a motion to approve as presented. Vice-Chair Street seconded the motion. The motion was approved.
- ITEM 3: Chairman Heinrich adjourned the meeting into executive session at 11:03 am. No action was taken during the executive session because none is permitted by law. The public session reconvened at 11:35 am.
- ITEM 4: Chairman Heinrich introduced Michael Reeves with Ports-to-Plains Alliance, who then introduced Brian Crawford with Texas Department of Transportation. Mr. Reeves provided an update on the Ports-to-Plains initiatives as well as plans for what is known as the Ports-to-Plains Corridor. He also mentioned the importance of the I-27 and Loop 335 expansions in Amarillo.

Mr. Crawford provided more details on the I-27 and Loop 335 expansions, including an estimated timeline.

Director Gualtiere asked questions of Mr. Reeves and Mr. Crawford on the current stages of the expansions process. His questions were answered by Mr. Crawford.

ITEM 5: Chairman Heinrich introduced Ronnie Walker with Xcel Energy. Mr. Walker provided an overview of Xcel's Certified Site Program. Sr. Vice-President Jennings added information on the benefits for the Amarillo EDC to have certified sites available for businesses that may be looking to relocate or expand into the Amarillo area.

ITEM 6: President Albrecht gave an update to the Strategic Plan, including workforce issues that need to be addressed.

Vice-President Hales introduced the newest staff member, Sabrina Meck who then shared information on her education and professional background. Ms. Meck begins her employment with the Amarillo EDC on February 8, 2018. President Albrecht stated that funding for this position was in the 2017-2018 budget which was approved by the Board of Directors and the City Council.

President Albrecht gave an update on the quarterly report provided to the City of Amarillo City Council. He stated the report was well received.

He also provided information on a plan to leverage the real estate the Amarillo EDC has available. President Albrecht also stated that through conversations with companies and identifying their requirements, the Amarillo EDC can provide an unsolicited proposal with site plans for a potential expansion or relocation.

President Albrecht stated that next month the Economic Forecast will be available, which will include an economic review and will also be included in the annual report.

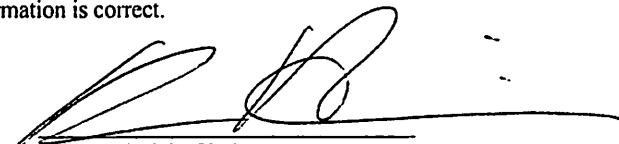
Sr. Vice-President Nelson gave an update on the Amarillo EDC's financial reports.

ITEM 7: Chairman Heinrich asked about holding a board meeting at a remote location. Vice-President Hales stated Texas Tech Pharmacy School has invited the Amarillo EDC to hold their next board meeting on February 13, at their location. Sr. Vice-President Nelson also stated that the auditors will present their report at the February meeting. It was agreed the next meeting of the Amarillo EDC board of directors will be held February 13, 2018 at the Texas Tech Pharmacy School.

Chairman Heinrich asked for any comments or questions from the public in attendance. There was none.

The January 23, 2018 meeting of the Amarillo EDC Board of Directors was adjourned at 12:33 pm.

The undersigned certifies that the foregoing information is correct.



Brian Heinrich, Chairman