# THE ENGLAND ECONOMIC AND INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS REGULAR SESSION DECEMBER 15, 1994

The England Economic and Industrial Development District met in Regular Session at its regular meeting place, the England Authority Board Room, Building 1803 Arnold Drive, England Industrial Airpark and Community, Alexandria, Louisiana, on Thursday, December 15, 1994, at 6:00 p.m. (Central Standard Time).

There were present: Mr. Jack DeWitt, Mr. George Thompson, Mr. Hank Bruser, Mr. Barry Hines, Mr. H. K. Stanley, Ms. Bridgett Brown, Mr. Elton Pody. Absent: Mr. Jim Meyer, Mr. John Brewer, Mr. Gene Cotton

Also present were: Mr. John McCarthy, DoD Base Transition Coordinator, Mr. Ernest Sasser, Payne, Moore & Herrington CPA Firm, Mr. Jon Grafton, Executive Director, England Authority staff, legal counsel, members of the public, press and media.

The England Economic and Industrial Development District was duly convened as the governing Authority of said District by Mr. George Thompson, Vice-Chairman, who then stated that the England Economic and Industrial Development District was ready for the transaction of business. The Chairman recognized the Executive Director for the presentation of a revised agenda.

# ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

Motion by Mr. Bruser, seconded by Mr. Pody to add to the agenda item #9 to authorize Executive Director to execute Sublease agreement with Northwestern State University for the lease of building #3506, Child Development Center. On vote, motion carried

Motion by Mr. Bruser, seconded by Mr. Pody to add to the agenda item #1 0 to authorize Executive Director to execute all appropriate documents to enable Army Special Operations Aircrew occupation of Dormitories #2316 & #2317. On vote, motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Bruser, seconded by Mr. Pody to amend all existing leases, effective January 1, 1995 to reflect the obligation of the EEIDD to pay any ad valorem taxes which may be assessed against property owned or leased by the EEIDD. On vote, motion carried with Ms. Brown opposing.

There being one objection, these items were added to the agenda.

#### ADOPT MINUTES

Motion made by Mr. Bruser, seconded by Ms. Pody to adopt the minutes of the England Economic and Industrial Development District Board Meeting, held on November 17, 1994. On vote, motion carried. 0143-1994

# APPROVE LEGAL COUNSEL REPRESENTATION

Motion made by Mr. Bruser, seconded by Ms. Brown to authorize the EEIDD Legal

Counsel to represent the EEIDD in reference to suite #1 78639 within the laws of the State of Louisiana and authorize the Executive Director or EEIDD officers to sign any necessary documents in connection with said suit. On vote, motion carried, 0144-1994

## **AUTHORIZE PAYMENT**

Motion made by Mr. Pody, seconded by Mr. Bruser to approve payment of legal services to Provosty, Sadler & DeLaunay November 1994 in the amount of \$8,173.65. On vote, motion carried. 0145-1994

## COMMISSIONER REIMBURSEMENT

Motion by Ms. Brown, seconded by Mr. Stanley to reimburse Commissioner Bridgett Brown \$99.58 for rental car cost and membership dues for the National Association of Black County Officials (NABCO); expenses incurred at Convention of National Association of County Officials (NABCO) held July 31, 1994 through August 4, 1994. Vice-Chairman requested roll call be taken.

Bruser	No
DeWitt	No
Hines	No
Stanley	Yes
Pody	No
Brown	Yes
Thompson	Yes

On vote, motion not approved.

# AUDIT REPORT FROM PAYNE, MOORE & HERRINGTON

Motion by Mr. Bruser, seconded by Mr. Stanley to receive Audit Report for Fiscal Years ending June 30, 1993 and 1994. On vote, motion carried. 0146-1994

# POLICY ON LEASING ENGLAND AIRPARK PROPERTY

Motion by Mr. Hines, seconded by Mr. Stanley to consider a policy concerping leasing of England Airpark property as amended. On vote motion carried, 0147-1994

#### AMEND PERSONNEL POLICY

Motion by Mr. DeWitt, seconded by Mr. Bruser to consider amending Personnel Policy in the following manner: To promote the highest level of public service, no employee of the England Authority shall qualify for or hold public elected office. Violation of the above shall result in immediate termination. Vice-Chairman requested roll call vote be taken.

Bruser	Yes
DeWitt	Yes
Hines	No
Stanley	Yes
Pody	Yes

Brown No Thompson No

On vote, motion carried. 0148-1994

#### AMEND LEASES

Motion by Mr. Bruser, seconded by Mr. Stanley to amend all existing leases, effective January 1, 1995 to reflect the obligation of the EEIDD to pay any ad valorem taxes which may be assessed against property owned or leased by the EEIDD. On vote, motion carried with Ms. Brown opposing. 0149-1994

# EXECUTE LEASE WITH EEIDD AND NORTHWESTERN STATE UNIVERSITY

Motion by Mr. DeWitt, seconded by Mr. Pody to authorize Executive Director to execute Sublease Agreement with Northwestern State University for the lease of building #3506, Child Development Center. On vote, motion carried. 0150-1994

EXECUTE LEASE WITH EEIDD AND ARMY SPECIAL OPERATIONS AIRCREW Motion by Mr. DeWitt, seconded by Mr. Pody to authorize Executive Director to execute all appropriate documents to enable Army Special Operations Aircrew occupation for Dormitories #2316 & #2317. On vote, motion carried. 0151-1994

#### **EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS REPORT**

Due to the length of the meeting, the Executive Director presented an abbreviated activity report.

### DIRECTOR OF ADMINISTRATIONS REPORT

Mrs. Chambers gave a brief financial report for the month of November.

# PUBLIC COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS

Mr. Thompson wished everyone a Merry Christmas on behalf of Mr. Jim Meyer, Chairman-England Authority.

There being no further business, meeting adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

Mr. Jim Meyer, Chairman England Economic & Industrial Development District Board of Commissioners

Mr. Jack DeWitt, Secretary-Treasurer England Economic & Industrial Development District Board of Commissioners