MINUTES OF SPECIAL CALLED MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE
ENGLAND ECONOMIC AND INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

March 10, 1992

A special called meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the England Economic and Industrial Development District was held in the Board Room of the Chamber of Commerce Office, at 5:30 p.m. on March 10, 1992.

Those present were:  Jim Meyer, Chairman
                   Susan Jacques
                   Hank Bruser
                   Jack DeWitt
                   Gene Cotton
                   Garland Lawrence
                   George Thompson
                   Myron Lawson

Those absent were:  John Brewer
                   Barry Hine

Others present:    Elton Pody
                   Bob Wagner
                   Harold Smith
                   Col Louis Weber
                   Bruce Capps
                   Lurline Ard
                   Media

The meeting was called to order and it was determined that a quorum was present.

Chairman Meyer stated that the Agenda for the meeting was to:
1. Consider a Recommendation from the Policy, Procedures, Personnel, and Legal Committee concerning the position of Executive Director.

Chairman Meyer asked that the Agenda also include a report from Mr. Bob Wagner of Kisatchie Delta.

Chairman Meyer called on Chairman of the Policy, Procedures, Personnel and Legal Committee, Hank Bruser, for a report on their recommendation for Executive Director.

Chairman Bruser reported that the Committee recommended that Mr. James Holderread be offered the position of Executive Director at a salary of $60,000, plus 25% fringe benefits, and the Commission pay his moving expenses as well as his expenses to come down to discuss this offer. He made the motion to accept this recommendation.

As a matter of discussion, Chairman Meyer questioned whether a
written contractual agreement will be signed. There was some discussion about the pros and cons of this, and it was decided that when the Commission meets with Mr. Holderread, this will be discussed and a decision will be made at a later date.

Com. DeWitt seconded the motion and the motion was carried.

Com. Bruser thanked all applicants and expressed appreciation for all who had input into this decision. He stressed that no one on the committee ever felt that any pressure was put on them to make any particular selection. He indicated that the decision was made purely on Mr. Holderread’s qualifications and in no was a reflection on any of the other applicants. Due to Mr. Holderread’s background, the committee felt he was most qualified for the position.

Chairman Meyer congratulated Chairman Bruser and his committee on a job well done and expressed appreciation for the many hours they have put into this most difficult task.

Chairman Meyer recognized Mr. Bob Wagner of Kisatchie Delta, who reported that 50 million dollars has been allocated by the Federal Government on ReUse of bases on the closure list. He pledged that his department would be doing everything possible to see that our area receives a part of this money, and that he would be working very closely with the Board of Commissioners, Executive Director, etc. in this behalf.

Chairman Meyer handed out to the Board copies of a letter report from Greiner as to the status of their work to this point.

Chairman Meyer thanked everyone for coming. He invited the members of the Authority to attend the Session on International Banking at the Chamber of Commerce office on March 18, 1992, at 10:30 a.m. at the Chamber.

Mr. Harold Smith of the Retired Military Group invited Mr. Meyer or someone from the Board of Commissioners to speak to their group at 9:30 a.m. on Saturday, March 21, 1992.

Com. Gene Cotton made the motion to adjourn and Com. George Thompson seconded the motion. The motion carried and the meeting adjourned.

Minutes accepted by:

[Signature]

James Meyer, Chairman