The England Economic and Industrial Development District met in Regular Session at the England Authority Board Room, 1611 Arnold Drive, England Industrial Airpark and Community Alexandria, Louisiana, on Thursday, OCTOBER 26 at 6:43 p.m.

There were present, William Barron, Robert L. Beck, Richard Bushnell, Robbyn Cooper, Dennis Frazier, Curman Gaines, Scott Linzay, Joe McPherson and Charlie Weems.

Also present were members of the England Authority staff and legal counsel.

Absent: Mike Johnson

Commissioner Bushnell gave the invocation and Commissioner McPherson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

England Economic and Industrial Development District was duly convened as the governing authority of said District by Mr. Charlie Weems, Chairman, who then stated that the England Economic and Industrial Development District was ready for the transaction of business.

MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 28, 2017 REGULAR BOARD MEETING.
Motion by Mr. Linzay, second by Mr. Barron, to approve minutes of September 28, 2017 regular board meeting. The Chair called for any comments from the board or public.

Mr. McPherson would like for minutes to be more descriptive to promote transparency.

Chairman Weems requested that Staff and Attorney John Ryland discuss how they can make meeting minutes more descriptive. A vote was called and motion carried. 098-2017

Chairman Weems asked for a motion to approve consent calendar for item #2 through #7. Motion by Mr. Linzay, second by Mr. Barron, to approve consent calendar for item #2 through #7. The Chair called for any comments from the board or public. There being none, a vote was called and motion carried.

MOTION TO APPROVE PAYMENT OF ATTORNEY’S BILL TO PROVOSTY, SADLER, DELAUNAY, FIORENZA & SOBEL FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER 2017.
Motion by Mr. Linzay, second by Mr. Barron, to approve payment of attorney’s bill to Provosty, Sadler, deLaunay, Fiorenza & Sobel for the month of September 2017. The Chair called for any comments from the board or public. There being none, a vote was called and motion carried. 099-2017

MOTION TO APPROVE PAYMENT OF ATTORNEY’S BILL TO CHADWICK & ODOM, LLC FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER 2017.
Motion by Mr. Linzay, second by Mr. Barron, to approve payment of attorney’s bill to Chadwick & Odom, LLC for the month of September 2017. The Chair called for any comments from the board or public. There being none, a vote was called and motion carried. 100-2017
MOTION TO ADOPT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO EXECUTE SPONSOR/STATE AGREEMENT NO. H.013300 BETWEEN THE LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND DEVELOPMENT AND THE EEIDD FOR MILL & OVERLAY SOUTH END OF RUNWAY 118/36 & REHAB RUNWAY 36 SAFETY AREA IN THE AMOUNT OF $576,142.00.

Motion by Mr. Linzay, second by Mr. Barron, to adopt resolution authorizing Executive Director to execute Sponsor/State Agreement No. H.013300 between the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development and the EEIDD for Mill & Overlay South End of Runway 118/36 & Rehab Runway 36 Safety Area in the amount of $576,142.00. The Chair called for any comments from the board or public. There being none, a vote was called and motion carried. 101-2017

MOTION TO ADOPT RESOLUTION REQUESTING LADOTD, DIVISION OF AVIATION, TO PROVIDE ASSISTANCE FOR CONSTRUCTION OF VARIOUS AIRPORT RELATED PROJECTS AT ALEXANDRIA INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT.

Motion by Mr. Linzay, second by Mr. Barron, to adopt resolution requesting LADOTD, Division of Aviation, to provide assistance for construction of various Airport related projects at Alexandria International Airport. The Chair called for any comments from the board or public. There being none, a vote was called and motion carried. 102-2017

MOTION TO AUTHORIZE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO EXECUTE CONTRACT WITH LATHAN CONSTRUCTION LLC FOR THE FOR DEMOLITION OF 8 RESIDENTIAL PARCELS LOCATED WITHIN THE PART 150 NOISE PROGRAM IN THE AMOUNT OF $88,430.00 SUBJECT TO THE RECEIPT OF ALL PROPER AND NECESSARY BID DOCUMENTS.

Motion by Mr. Linzay, second by Mr. Barron, to authorize Executive Director to execute contract with Lathan Construction LLC for the for demolition of 8 residential parcels located within the Part 150 Noise Program in the amount of $88,430.00 subject to the receipt of all proper and necessary bid documents. The Chair called for any comments from the board or public. There being none, a vote was called and motion carried. 103-2017

MOTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO RENEW LEASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN EEIDD AND RAPIDES AREA PLANNING COMMISSION FOR OFFICE SPACE IN BUILDING 900.

Motion by Mr. Linzay, second by Mr. Barron, authorizing Executive Director to renew lease agreement between EEIDD and Rapides Area Planning Commission for office space in Building 900. The Chair called for any comments from the board or public. There being none, a vote was called and motion carried. 104-2017

ADDITIONS TO AGENDA
(By unanimous vote)

F. Comments by Legal counsel – N/A
G. Comments or Questions by Commissioners – N/A
H. Staff Report – Financial Report – Expended 23.25% of Budget; collected 24.80% of the revenue.
   Comparative Air Traffic Report – Due to hurricanes and closures in Atlanta and Houston, air travel was down.

I. Public Comments or Questions – Mr. Gaines asked staff to comment on the relationship with CLEDA/State regarding economic development. Mr. Grafton explained that England Authority and CLEDA worked together in a close partnership. CLEDA is the state of Louisiana’s regional coordinator.
J. Adjourn - Motion by Mr. Barron, second by Mr. Linzay, to adjourn the meeting.

By unanimous vote, with there being no further business to come before the Board, meeting was adjourned at 6:51 p.m.

Charlie Weems, Chairman
England Economic and Industrial Development District
Board of Commissioners

William Barron, Secretary/Treasurer
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