# THE ENGLAND ECONOMIC AND INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS REGULAR SESSION FEBRUARY 23, 2017

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**, **FEBRUARY 23 at 4:59 p.m**.

There were present: Charlie Weems, Chairman; Richard Bushnell, Vice-Chairman; William Barron, Secretary/Treasurer; Brady Baudin, Dennis Frazier, Curman Gaines, Mike Johnson, Bart Jones and Scott Linzay.

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

Absent: Joe McPherson

Commissioner Bushnell gave the invocation and Commissioner Johnson 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.

Chairman Weems asked for a motion to approve minutes of January 26, 2017 regular board meeting. Motion by **Mr. Barron**, second by **Mr. Baudin**.

The Chair called for any corrections or additions to the minutes. The Chair then called for any comments from the public.

#### MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES OF JANUARY 26, 2017 REGULAR BOARD MEETING.

Motion by **Mr. Barron**, second by **Mr. Baudin**, to approve minutes of January 26, 2017 regular board meeting. There being none, a vote was called and motion carried. **013-2017** 

Chairman Weems asked for a motion to approve consent calendar for item #2 through #6. Motion by **Mr. Barron**, second by **Mr. Baudin**, to approve consent calendar for item #2 through #6. The Chair called for any comments from the 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 JANUARY 2017.

Motion by **Mr. Barron**, second by **Mr. Linzay**, to approve payment of attorney's bill to Provosty, Sadler, deLaunay, Fiorenza & Sobel for the month of January 2017. The Chair called for any comments from the public. There being none, a vote was called and motion carried. **014-2017** 

#### MOTION TO APPROVE PAYMENT OF ATTORNEY'S BILL TO WHEELIS & ROZANSKI FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY 2017.

Motion by **Mr. Barron**, second by **Mr. Linzay**, to approve payment of attorney's bill to Wheelis & Rozanski for the month of January 2017. The Chair called for any comments from the public. There being none, a vote was called and motion carried. **015-2017** 

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### MOTION TO DECLARE PROPERTY AS EXCESS, NOT NEEDED FOR PUBLIC PURPOSE AND AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF SAID SURPLUS.

Motion by **Mr. Barron**, second by **Mr. Linzay**, to declare property as excess, not needed for public purpose and authorizing the sale of said surplus. The Chair called for any comments from the public. There being none, a vote was called and motion carried. **016-2017** 

#### MOTION TO AMEND SECTION 2.5 OF THE EEIDD CODE OF ORDINANCES REGARDING THE ESTABLISHMENT AND FUNCTION OF COMMITTEES.

Motion by **Mr. Barron**, second by **Mr. Linzay**, to amend section 2.5 of the EEIDD Code of Ordinances regarding the establishment and function of committees. The Chair called for any comments from the public. There being none, a vote was called and motion carried. **017-2017** 

# MOTION TO AUTHORIZE RENEWAL OF CONTRACT, UNDER SAME TERMS AND CONDITIONS, WITH RANDALL WOMACK FOR CONSULTING SERVICES REGARDING THE WESTSIDE DEVELOPMENT AND THE WAREHOUSE PROJECT.

Motion by Mr. Barron, second by Mr. Linzay, to authorize renewal of contract, under same terms and conditions, with Randall Womack for consulting services regarding the Westside Development and the Warehouse Project. The Chair called for any comments from the public. There being none, a vote was called and motion carried. 018-2017

MOTION TO ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION TO RECEIVE BRIEFING AND LEGAL OPINIONS FROM LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING PERSPECTIVE LITIGATION BETWEEN THE EEIDD AND PARC ENGLAND HOTEL.

John Ryland, counsel for England Authority, stated that there was no news of substance to pass forward, therefore there was no need to go into Executive Session.

#### **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 –** 58% complete of fiscal year; collected 54.6% of revenue; expended 45% of budget and running a positive balance at this point.

Comparative Air Traffic Report – 5% up for commercial; Military charters up 18%.

- I. Public Comments or Questions Mayor David Butler, Town of Woodworth, thanked Commissioner Bushnell for his representation of the town of Woodworth.
- J. Adjourn

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There being no further business to come before the Board, meeting was adjourned at 5:12 p.m.

Charlie Weems, Chairman

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William Barron, Secretary/Treasurer

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