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 Tuesday, March 1, 1994, at four p.m. (Central Standard Time).

There were present: Mr. Jim Meyer, Mr. John Brewer, Mr. Elton Pody, Ms. Bridgett Brown, Mr. Barry Hines, Mr. John Brewer, Mr. Hank Bruser, and Mr. Gene Cotton.

Absent were Mr. George Thompson and Mr. Jack DeWitt.

Also present were Mr. Jon Grafton, Executive Director, members of the England Authority staff, Mr. Albin Provosty, Legal Counsel, Mr. Mac McCarthy, members of the public, press and media.

Mr. Elton Pody gave the invocation and Mr. Meyer led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

The following items were presented by the Chairman to be deleted from the agenda, and there being no opposition, were deleted.

Motion to consider paying one half of the golf cart repair expense as claimed by LANDCO.

Motion to amend Greiner, Inc. Contract Amendment #8 to increase the upset limit from \$3,700.00 to \$12,800.00 for ISB contract negotiation services and expenses rendered through October 28, 1994.

Motion to authorize Executive Director to execute IGA with City of Alexandria to allow participation in the City's Group Health Plan.

## ADOPT MINUTES

Motion by Mr. Gene Cotton, seconded by, Mr. H. K. Stanley to adopt the minutes of the England Economic and Industrial Development District held on January 20, 1994, January 27, 1994, and February 17, 1994. On vote, motion carried.

## MILITARY BASES CLOSURES: CRADLE TO CRADLE SEMINAR

Motion by Mr. Elton Pody, seconded by Mr. H. K. Stanley to authorize travel for Chairman Jim Meyer to Washington, D. C., to attend Military Bases Closures: Cradle to Cradle Seminar, June 13-14, 1994. On vote, motion carried.

MUTUAL SUPPORT AGREEMENTS: Motion by Mr. Elton Pody, seconded by Mr. Hank Bruser to authorize Executive Director to execute Mutual Support Agreements with the following: Alexandria Fire Department, District #2 Fire Department, Pineville Fire Department, Boyce Fire Department, and Oak Hill Fire Department. On vote, motion carried.

STATUS OF POLICE JURY REQUEST FOR OEA FUNDING: Executive Director introduced Ms. Bobbi Morgan, who reported that England Authority is the only governmental body that can receive OEA funding, unless there is a request from another entity that deals directly with England. Mr. Hank Bruser made motion to accept Ms. Morgan's report, Mr. Gene Cotton seconded the motion. On vote, motion carried.

INVOICES FOR LEGAL SERVICES: Motion made by Mr. Hank Bruser, seconded by Mr. Elton Pody to pay invoices of general counsel from 11-1-93 - 12-31-93. On vote, motion carried.

EDA GRANT APPLICATION: Motion made by Mr. Elton Pody and seconded by Mr. Hank Bruser to authorize Executive Director to sign and submit grant application to EDA for federal assistance for capital improvements to the airfield, rail, and roads within the England Industrial Airpark and Community. On vote, motion carried.

REUSE STUDY: Motion made by Mr. Gene Cotton, seconded by Mr. Elton Pody to accept the Reuse Study as prepared by Greiner, Inc. On vote, motion carried with Mr. Jim Meyer abstaining.

WESTERCHIL CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, ISB AREA: Motion made by Mr. Elton Pody, seconded by Mr. Hank Bruser to accept, as recommended by Executive Director, work which is substantially complete performed by Westerchil Construction Company on the ISB, England Airpark, and to authorize payment of retainage and release of performance bonds upon presentation of clear lien certificate and completion of punch list items. On vote, motion carried.

ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR TRACTOR: Motion made by Mr. Elton Pody, seconded by Mr. Hank Bruser to authorize the Executive Director to advertise for bids for one new or used 100 horsepower tractor for Air Operations. On vote, motion carried.

ADD CUSTODIAL SERVICES TO BUILDING 1730: Motion made by Mr. Hank Bruser, seconded by Mr. Gene Cotton to authorize Execute Director to execute Amendment #1 to D. H. Enterprises Contract for Custodial Services to add Building 1730, effective January 24, 1994. On vote, motion carried.

DEFERRED COMPENSATION PLAN: Motion made by Mr. Barry Hines, seconded by Mr. Hank Bruser to authorize Executive Director to execute documents to implement Section 457 Deferred Compensation Retirement Plan in lieu of Social Security. On vote, motion carried.

IGA WITH CITY OF ALEXANDRIA TO PROVIDE SERVICES: Motion made by Mr. H. K. Stanley, seconded by Mr. Hank Bruser to authorize Executive Director to execute IGA with City of Alexandria to provide services to Authority. On vote, motion carried.

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR MONTHLY REPORT**: Mr. Jon Grafton gave a monthly report of the Staff activities of the England Authority Staff and Ms. Nita Chambers presented the monthly financial report.

After 2/3 vote the following items were added to the agenda:

INTERIM LEASE WITH WATKINS ENGINEERING: Mr. Gene Cotton made a motion, seconded by Mr. Hank Bruser to authorize the Executive Director to execute an interim lease with Watkins Engineering for Building 2543. On vote, motion carried.

HOSPITAL LEASE: Motion by Mr. Gene Cotton, seconded by Mr. Elton Pody, to authorize Chairman or, in his absence, Executive Director, to execute a lease with Summit Institute of Alexandria, Inc., for a primary term of three (3) years, on a net, net, net basis at an annual rentall of \$800,000, subject to approval of general counsel of final terms of lease document. On vote, motion carried.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** Ms. Brown expressed concern over the hiring of the new Director of Operations.

RED RIVER WATERWAY COMMISSION: March 30th is the tentative date for Senator Johnston to attend this Commission meeting. Board members are encouraged to attend, if possible.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 5:03 P. M.

Jim Meyer/Chairman

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Jack DeWitt, Secretary-Treasurer
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