**Bronte Economic Development Corporation – 4B**

**Meeting Minutes**

**July 08, 2024**

The regular meeting of the Bronte Economic Development Corporation 4B was called to order at 3:34 pm and a quorum established in the Bronte City Hall Council Chambers, 114 S Washington, Bronte, TX. Present: Linda Scott, Brenda Hines, Deborah Bailey, Gwen Dyess, and Katie Meeks. Absent Cyndi Carlton and Stacy Kelton. Guests Marlayna Schoenfield. Jodie Arrott, Shane Bearden, Cynthia Turner, and Darla Chisholm.

After pledges to the American and Texas flags, Gwen Dyess led the prayer.

There was no public comment.

**Loan Forgiveness Grant Applications:**

#1 Update status on Bralyn Barker, dba Quartet Properties, LLC Loan Forgiveness Grant application.

President Linda Scott talked with Natalie in the Texas Comptroller’s office to clarify that taxes paid by short term rentals are hotel/motel taxes and not sales taxes.

#2 New Loan Forgiveness Grant application from Shane Bearden, dba Bearden Automotive Repair, for half of Zeus Scanner, $3,033.89.

The board went into executive session at 3:45 pm and returned to regular session at 3:57 pm.

Brenda Hines moved to approve the application and Katie Meeks seconded. Motion passed, four in favor, one opposed. The public hearing will be on Friday, July 12, 8:15 am.

**Minutes: Consider approving June 10 and June 14 minutes:**

#3 Minutes for June 10 regular meeting and June 14 Public Hearing. Brenda Hines moved to approve; Gwen Dyess seconded. All in favor, motion passed.

**Special Events**:

#4 Jodie Arrott presented profit/loss from past Bronteoberfest and plans for October 2024. No action was taken.

**Financials:**

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1. Katie Meeks moved to approve to pay Messer Fort Law Firm invoice for work on recouping money from defaulted performances agreements for Zack White and Hanna Whisenhunt. Deborah Bailey seconded. All in favor, motion passed.
2. Katie Meeks moved to approve the April and May financials. Gwen Dyess seconded. Motion carried.

**Training Opportunities**:

 #6 On site TECD sales tax training will be August 19. This will be for both EDC Board A & B. Katie Meeks moved to pay ½ of trainer Carlton Schwab’s fee of $1500.00 plus ½ of the expenses. Deborah Bailey seconded. All in favor.

#7 Update on defaulted Performance Agreements. Attorney had no response from

Zack White who owes $8200.00. Hanna Whisenhunt responded she will make payments, she owes $1650.00.

#8 Loan Forgiveness Grant Application workshop, July 23, 3:30 pm, Bronte City Hall Council Chambers, 114 S Washington, Bronte, TX.

#9 Open discussion.

Next meeting is August 19, 3:30 pm. Meeting adjourned at 4:51 pm.

President Secretary