



MINUTES
Rice Community Economic Development Corporation
Special Meeting
Monday, March 6, 2023
6:00 PM
Rice City Hall
305 N. Dallas Street
Rice, TX 75155

Item 1: Roll Call

James Franks: Call Meeting to Order 6:00 pm
Members Present: James Franks, Laura McGee, Garry Teague,
Brandi Solomon, Rolando Chapa
Jared Alsup (present after roll call)
Members Absent: Cody Barham
Non-members Present:
Archa Cassel, EDC Executive Coordinator

Item 2: Pledge of Allegiance Led by All

Item 3: Invocation Prayer Led by Garry Teague

Item 4: Public Forum

Item 5: Agenda Items

- a. **Archa Reviewed Grant Opportunities:**
We discussed grant applications requirements specific to block grants and the grant for air conditioning/improvements for the gym.
*everyone submitted a letter to be used for grant applications
- b. **Discuss Contractors for Projects**
- We reviewed plan ideas, and discussed the use of concrete for the downtown park. We discussed moving forward to apply for the next available deadline (May). • We choose dates for our next events
- c. **Discuss and Deliberate Dates for Next Mixer Networking Event**
- We discussed having an annual Networking event, with an informative speaker or something that adds value to our business owner guests Sept. 23rd, and an annual Business Fair event, March 24th
- d. **Discuss Website Hits & Q&A Form**
- Review website traffic and make suggestions for questions on form.
- e. **Approve Minutes**
- Brandi Solomon made a motion to approve the minutes, Rolando Chapa 2nd the motion. Ayes: Laura McGee, Garry Teague, James Franks, Jared Alsup
Nays: None, Motion Passed

Item 6: Adjourn

Motion to adjourn by Garry Teague, 2nd by Laura McGee

Ayes: James Franks, Jared Alsup, Rolando Chapa, Brandi Solomon

Nays: None

Motion Passed

Attest: _____ Date: _____
Secretary

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Administrator