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OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE

TERREBONNE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

AUTHORITY BOARD MEETING

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2018

President Nicholas Hebert called the

meeting to order at 12:00 p.m. The prayer

and Pledge of Allegiance were led by Mrs.

Tammy Haydel.

Members recorded as present were: Mr.

Robert Barthel, Mr. C.J. Domangue, Dr.

Michael Garcia, Mr. Nicholas Hebert, Mr.

Christian Lapeyre. Also present were Mr.

Matthew Rookard, TEDA’s CEO, Mrs.

Katherine Gilbert-Theriot, TEDA’s Director

of Business Retention & Expansion, Mrs.

Tammy Haydel, TEDA’s Executive Secretary,

Ms. Ana Gale Orellana and Mr. Perry

Pertuit of Entergy (Mr. Pertuit arrived at

12:32 p.m.), and Mr. Pat Gordon of South

Central Planning.

President Hebert made three calls for public

wishing to address the committee with

no response.

Mr. Barthel motioned to approve the

November 13, 2018 Board Meeting

Minutes as submitted,

seconded by Mr. Lapeyre. The motion

passed unanimously

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Mr. Hebert presented the November financial

reports. The rise in expenses in the

P&L Report is due to three payroll entries

for November. All other expenses are in

line. The travel and training expense is in

accordance with the events the staff attended

during the month. Mr. Lapeyre motioned

to approve the November financial

reports as submitted, seconded by Mr.

Barthel. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Rookard updated the Board on the

2019 budget approval. The committee has

previously met to approve the budget and

the council meeting is scheduled for

December 12th to approve the line item

budget. The 2018 projected is accurate.

Mr. Barthel motioned to approve the 2019

proposed budget, seconded by Mr.

Lapeyre. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Rookard presented Grant Resolution

No. 18-002. A grant application is being

considered through the Tourism Commission

for a product development grant for

the levee run concept. It is a $5,000.00

grant. Mrs. Theriot is gathering the information

and it should be submitted by the

third week of January, 2019. Mr. Barthel

motioned to approve the resolution,

seconded by Dr. Garcia. The motion

passed unanimously.

Mrs. Theriot presented the December BRE

Report. There were 83 retention visits for

the year, which is well above the national

average. Mr. Rookard commended Mrs.

Theriot for her hard work. She attended

the Advanced Economic Development

Leadership Conference in Greenville,

South Carolina; it was an interesting session

and provided a unique insight into

economic development. The International

Workboat Show was a success, in that

Mrs. Theriot was able to network with 24

companies with a presence in Terrebonne

Parish.

Mr. Rookard updated the levee run/wetlands

project. He and Mr. Hebert have met

with Mr. Reggie Dupre of the Levee District

and Mr. Gordon Dove, Parish President.

A vendor meeting was held recently

with Southern Timing regarding the logistics:

timing, 5k, 10k and ½ marathon

routes, registration, bibs, awards, etc. The

tentative date is Sunday, April 7, 2019 in

Montegut. The run will be marketed as an

“off-road experience” for runners/walkers

largely through social media. It will be

something different from any other races

in Louisiana. It will incorporate coastal restoration

education, in addition to wild life

exhibits. The event will offer a bird-watching

experience as well.

President Hebert thanked the board members

and staff for their service for 2018,

and is looking forward to 2019.

Mrs. Theriot introduced the Entergy check

presentation for the certified cite project for

Louisiana Economic Development to certify

Rebecca Plantation as a shovel-ready

cite for industrial development. Ms. Orellana

stated that Entergy saw the value in

partnering with Terrebonne Parish for the

first certified cite. They are very excited to

support the parish through the certification

process and anticipates partnerships for

future projects. Mr. Perry Pertuit, manager

for new business development for Entergy,

congratulated TEDA on the project success

and is proud to be a part of it.

At 12:58 p.m., Mr. Barthel moved to adjourn,

seconded by Mr. Domangue. The

motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Nicholas Hebert, President

Mrs. Tammy Haydel, Minute Clerk