

**MINUTES OF THE
KEENE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION (TYPE A EDC)
REGULAR MEETING
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 19, 2023**

PRESENT: *Don Beeson Sr., Carl Wright, Wes Schram, Samantha Gillin, and Cody Thornton*

ABSENT: *None.*

STAFF PRESENT:

- *Don Martin – Interim Assistant City Manager*
- *Charles Williams – Finance Director*
- *Tabatha Mansell – City Secretary*

CALLED TO ORDER: *Meeting called to order at 9:02 a.m.*

Invocation – Board President Beeson Sr.

Pledge of Allegiance – All board members and the public.

1. *President's Remarks – Welcomed the public, Introduced the City Secretary*
2. *City's Administration Remarks – Interim Assistant City Manager Don Martin introduced Dinah Acosta to the board.*
3. *Citizens Comments – Paul Gnadl thanked the board for the Expo financial support, asked for a donation for the Step and Repeat Banner, asked for volunteers to help with repairing flags 4-23-23.*
4. *Consider approval of the minutes for the February 15, 2023, Keene Economic Development Corporation (Type A EDC) meeting.*

Board Member Gillin moved to approve the minutes for the February 15, 2023, Keene Economic Development Corporation (Type A EDC) meeting, seconded by Board Member Schram.

Motion passed 5-0-0

5. *Consider approval of the Keene Economic Development Corporation (Type A EDC) financial statements ending February 28, 2023, and March 31, 2023.*

Finance Director Charles Williams briefed the board on the financial statements ending February 28, 2023, and March 31, 2023.

Board Member Gillin moved to approve the financial statement ending March 31, 2023, seconded by Board Member Wright.

Motion passed unanimously 5-0-0

Board Member Gillin moved to approve the financial statement ending February 28, 2023, seconded by Board Member Schram.

Motion passed unanimously 5-0-0

6. *Executive Session: Pursuant to the Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551, Texas Government Code, Sections 551.071 (consultation with attorney), 551.072 (real property), 551.073 (prospective gifts), 551.074 (personnel matters), 551.076 (security matters), 551.087 (economic development). Executive Session may be held, under these exceptions, at the end of the Regular Session, Workshop and/or Special Session, or at any time during the meeting that a need arises for the Board to seek advice from the City Attorney as to the posted subject matter of this Meeting.*

Board convened into executive session at 9:24 a.m.

*551.087 (economic development) Economic Development Negotiations
551.072 (real property) Deliberation regarding the sale of real property*

7. *Reconvene into open session for possible action resulting from any item posted discussed in executive session.*

Board reconvened into open session at 9:55 a.m.

Board Member Schram made a motion to approve authorizing the Interim Assistant City Manager to negotiate a development agreement with a company regarding the purchase and development of approximately 15 acres of Keene EDC property located in the Industrial Park to bring back to the board for consideration and approval. Seconded by Board Member Thornton.

Motion passed 5-0-0

8. *Discussion and request for future agenda items.*

*Motion for a donation to the Step and Repeat Chamber of Commerce Banner.
Workshop for the Type A and Type B Boards, and Planning and Zoning Commission to collaborate.
Workshop for the budget.
Presentation of the board's job description and responsibilities.*

9. *Adjourned at 9:58 a.m.*

By: 

Don Beeson Sr., Board President

Attest: 

Tabatha Mansell, City Secretary