

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

**Board Members Present:**

Adam Straznicky  
Allan Miller  
Lisa Benford-Roberts  
Trent Wages  
Dr. Weed

**District Staff:**

Kara Clore  
Linda Wyatt

**Absent**

Bobby Pelzel  
Dr. Monzingo

**Call to order and announcement of a Quorum**

With a quorum present, the Rockdale Municipal Development District Board Meeting was called to order by Board President Adam Straznicky at 6:00 p.m. on June 26, 2017 at Rockdale Municipal Development District Offices, 134 N. Main, Rockdale, Texas.

**4. Citizen Communications**

The MDD welcomes public comments at this point on items not specifically listed on the agenda. Speakers must sign up on the provided list before the meeting begins. Speakers are limited to three (3) minutes each. The MDD will not respond to matters not listed on the agenda until a future meeting.

**5. Consent Agenda**

A. Approvals

1. Minutes of MDD Regular Meeting May 22, 2017
2. May Financials
3. June Revenue report
4. ED Project Balance Sheet

**Motion:** Upon a motion made by Board Member Roberts and a second by Board Member Wages the Rockdale MDD Board voted five (5) in favor, none (0) opposed and none (0) abstaining to approve the May 22, 2017 MDD Minutes as presented. **The Motion Carried.**

\* At this point to Board took a moment to officially thank outgoing President Straznicky, presenting an appreciation plaque, and to welcome Dr. Weed as the new MDD Board President.

**Motion:** Upon a motion made by Board Member Straznicky and a second by Board Member Roberts the Rockdale MDD Board voted five (5) in favor, none (0) opposed and none (0) abstaining to approve the Finances as presented. **The Motion Carried.**

**6. MDD Staff Report**

A. Staff Report

- a. Executive Director Clore stated there are no travel plans for July and will report future plans at the next MDD meeting.
- b. City Manager Whittaker, Diane White with Milam County Tax Office and Executive Director Clore are working on revising the current tax abatement application.

B. Items of Community Interest

Director Clore reported there is visible progress being made at the Industrial Park

## 7. Action Items

- A. Consider and take any necessary action regarding a Façade Improvement Application submitted by Tim Arledge for The Piano Bar, 1700 W. Cameron Ave., Rockdale, TX 76567.

**Motion:** Upon a motion made by Board Member Miller and a second by Board Member Wages the Rockdale MDD Board voted five (5) in favor, none (0) opposed and one (1) abstaining to approve the Façade Improvement Application for The Piano Bar up to the amount of \$10,000.00.

- B. Consider and take any necessary action regarding a Rental Assistance Application submitted by Daielle Monie for Twisted Scissors Salon & Boutique, 137 N. Main, Rockdale, TX 76567.

**Motion:** Upon a motion made by Board Member Miller and a second by Board Member Straznicky the Rockdale MDD Board voted five (5) in favor, none (0) opposed and none (0) abstaining to approve the Rental Assistance Application for Twisted Scissors in the amount of \$350 per month for 10 months. **The Motion Carried.**

- C. Consider and take any necessary action regarding the MDD website upgrade.

**Motion:** Upon a motion made by Board Member Straznicky and a second by Board Member Roberts the Rockdale MDD Board voted five (5) in favor, none (0) opposed and none (0) abstaining to accept the ED Suites proposal in the amount of \$7,589 to upgrade the Website. **The Motion Carried.**

- D. Consider and take any necessary action regarding a Rockdale MDD Travel Policy.

Board Member Miller presented a draft proposal for an MDD Travel Policy for the Board's consideration.

**No Action was Taken.**

- E. Consider and take any necessary action regarding purchasing Small Town Economic Development (book) for the MDD Board.

Dr. Weed recommends the book as very informative for the MDD Board in their pursuit of Economic Development in the City of Rockdale.

- F. **Convene in Executive Session: 7:22 p.m.**

Discussion Pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.072 and Section 551.087 to deliberate the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property for the purpose of commercial development inside the District boundaries and to discuss economic development negotiations related to the same commercial development.

- G. **Reconvene in Open Session: 8:07 p.m.**

Consider and take any necessary action related to the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property for the purpose of commercial development inside the District boundaries and to discuss economic development negotiations related to the same commercial development.

**No Action was Taken.**

## 8. Future Agenda Items

- At this time MDD Board Members may request that an item be placed on a future MDD Agenda for discussion and/or action.

**Request: Façade Improvement Program & Rental Assistance Program**

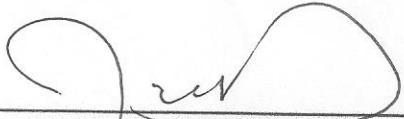
The MDD Travel & Entertainment Policy  
The next Regular MDD Meeting will be Monday, July 24, 2017.

9. Adjourn 8:08 p.m.

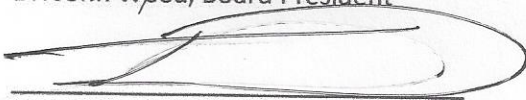
**Motion:** Upon a motion made by Board Member Wages and a second by Board Member Roberts, the Rockdale MDD voted five (5) in favor, none (0) opposed and none (0) abstaining to adjourn the meeting. **The Motion Carried.**

*These minutes were approved on the 24<sup>th</sup> day of July 2017.*

**APPROVED:**

  
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Dr. John Weed, Board President

**ATTEST:**

  
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Trent Wages, Board Secretary