## Anahuac Municipal Development District Minutes Regular Meeting June 21, 2022

PRESENT:

Kenneth Miller

Harrom Nipp

Michael Morehead

Chairman

Vice-Chairman

Secretary-Treasurer

**ABSENT:** 

Janice Jircik

Sean Perry

Member

Member

**GUESTS:** 

Dr. Ira J. Nichols

Sue Hawthorne

Annette Abernathy

Samantha Humphrey

Citizen

Reporter – The Progress

AMDD Office Manager

**Chambers County Economic** 

Development/Grant Director

Agenda Item 1: Chairman Miller called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. with a quorum present.

Agenda Item 2: Comments from Citizens – No comments were presented.

Agenda Item 3: After review of the Regular Meeting Minutes of May 17, 2022, motion was made by Director Nipp, seconded by Director Miller, to approve the minutes as presented. All in favor, motion carried.

Agenda Item 4: Upon review of the accounts payable and bank statement for May 2022, motion was made by Director Morehead, seconded by Director Nipp, to approve the accounts payable and bank statement as presented. All in favor, motion carried.

Agenda Item 5: Chairman Miller discussed the need to assist citizens who are applying for available jobs with the application process. Also noted was helping

with interview skills, resumes, and clothing needs. Considered the most advantageous way to let the public know of this service, Director Miller requested a letter be prepared and given to churches in the area to pass on to their parishioners. Director Miller also stated that he has been in contact with City Administrator Kenny Kathan regarding assisting with job training for entry level positions within the City of Anahuac as well as other locations. Director Miller stated he will bring more information back to the next board meeting in July for further discussion.

Agenda Item 6: Chambers County Economic Development and Grant Management Director Samantha Humphrey then gave an informative discussion concerning grant availability and the application process. She pledged to work with AMDD by informing the board of any grants available that would benefit AMDD. She included information concerning economic development and possible ideas for enhancing the City of Anahuac.

Agenda Item 7: After receiving a letter of clarification from Attorney Baker, motion was made by Director Miller, seconded by Director Nipp, to purchase tickets to the Annual Chamber of Commerce Banquet to be held July 22, 2022. All in favor, motion carried.

Agenda Item 8: Discussion, updates and possible action.

- a. Splash Pad Chambers County Economic Director Samantha Humphrey gave an overview of the holdup with the splash pad construction. Because of possible historical bricks being unearthed while preparing the site, an archeological firm is being contacted to examine the area. She stated that all splash pad equipment is at the Kraftsman location and will be installed as soon as the go ahead is received.
- b. Kayak Ramp After a thorough discussion of the continuous maintenance issues with the kayak ramp, motion was made by Director Nipp, seconded by Director Morehead, to remove the ramp completely. Brent Abernathy has volunteered to remove the ramp and leave the area in clean condition after removal. All in favor, motion carried. The directors will set a date for the dedication of the plaque in memory of past Director Bill Stults at the July meeting.

c. Projected projects – Director Nipp introduced a Pop-up Park Project to utilize the area along the canal on Miller Street owned by CLCND. This area would include a possible walking and exercising trail, playground area, outdoor events location, etc. Chambers County Economic Director Samantha Humphrey stated that she has also been considering this as a project and has begun talks with CLCND concerning use of this land. Directors agreed that this would be a definite top priority project. Director Nipp will work with Mrs. Humphrey for ideas to move forward on this project and report back to the board with information as it is gathered.

Director Nipp also suggested a Tree Replenishment Project to replace dying and missing trees due to old age and hurricanes throughout the years. Directors agreed that this project could be included somewhat in the pop-up park as a starting point for replacement.

Mrs. Humphrey stated that the Texas Historical Commission has grants available for the Texas Main Street Program. This aids towns in revitalizing their downtown area and would be a possible project for Miller Street. Directors agreed this could be a project they would consider and would like to work with Mrs. Humphrey toward that end.

9. There being no further business, meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Kenneth Miller

Chairman

ATTEST

Harrom Nipp

Vice-Chairman