

**MINUTES  
OF THE  
KEENE BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION**

**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2019**

**PRESENT:** Ricky Stephens, President, Aaron Moses, Vice-President, Donnie Beeson and Roy Robinson

**ABSENT:** Jim Moreno, Richard Bothe, and Cheryl Schram

**CALLED TO ORDER:** Called the Regular meeting to order at 3:30 p.m.

1. President's announcements/public forum.

No announcement.

2. Treasurer's Report.

Cheryl Estes went over the financials for the month of January.

**Donnie Beeson made a motion to accept the January financial report. Seconded by Aaron Moses. The motion carried unanimously, 4-0-0.**

3. Discussion and possible action on recommendation of appointment to KEDC Board.

Tabled. No action.

4. Discussion and possible action on Splash Pad Project Location and Design.

Michael Talley updated the board on the irrigation bid. Don's Lawn Service provided bids for both the holding tank and booster pump along with the sprinkler system.

Aaron Moses asked about the ballfields.

Michael Talley stated it was not in the bid, but it can be done. The current bid ties into the splash pad.

Aaron Moses and Donnie Beeson would like to see the ballfields and soccer fields done too.

Michael Talley stated that he would reach out to Don's Lawn Service to update the bid to include both the ballfields and the soccer field.

Roy Robinson agrees.

Aaron Moses asked about the tanks.

Michael Talley stated that it is more expensive to place them below ground. An above ground tank is more economical.

Cheryl Estes asked if the City was going to bill the board for the water use or is the City going to write it off.

Brian LaBorde stated that we would talk about it when the time gets closer.

Donnie Beeson asked about actual cost.

Cheryl Estes stated that she can work on getting the board numbers.

No action.

5. Discussion and possible action on Green Ribbon Project.

Michael Talley stated that water meters had to be installed which came to an additional amount for parts. The City will invoice the board for the parts.

6. Update from Economic Development Director.

Michael Talley stated that the director position will be posted at the end of the week.

Donnie Beeson asked who will be handling the board projects.

Brian LaBorde stated that staff will step in to keep all projects moving forward.

Donnie Beeson brought Brian LaBorde up to speed on the splash pad design and location.

Brian LaBorde stated that a workshop would be great to get citizen input.

Michael Talley updated the board on the Palladium project. Hopefully, the reports will be done by April or May. Don Martin will keep the board informed. On the Project Mustang, the engineer has been awarded. The building will be done in May or June and the road should be done within a year.

7. Approval of previous minutes.


**Aaron Moses made a motion to approve the January 15, 2019 minutes. Seconded by Roy Robinson. The motion carried unanimously, 4-0-0.**

8. Consideration and approval of future agenda items.

KEDC Board Appointments.

9. Adjournment.

Board adjourned at 3:55 p.m.

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