

**MINUTES FOR THE
KEENE BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
TYPE B BOARD
TUESDAY JUNE 15, 2021**

PRESENT: Ricky Stephens, Aaron Moses, Cheryl Schram, Donnie Beeson, Cheryl Schram and, Nick Chesney.

ABSENT: Russ Ziegler

Also Present: Molly Martin-Economic Development Director, Diane Helms-City Secretary, Charles Williams-Finance Director, Don Martin – Public Works Director, Betty Freeman - Accounting, and Bernie Parker - City Manager.

CALLED TO ORDER: Board President Stephens called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m.

1. President's Remarks

None

2. Citizens Comments (Citizens allotted 3 minutes for comments)

None

3. Approve Meeting Minutes for May 18, 2021, regular meeting.

Member A. Moses made a motion to accept the minutes from the May 18, 2021 meeting, as written, seconded by Member D. Beeson. Motion passed unanimously 6-0.

4. Approval of Financial Statement for May 2021.

Mr. Williams the Finance Director presented the Economic Development Board (Type B) financial reports for May 2021.

Member A. Moses moved to approve the financial statements for May 2021 second by Member N. Chesney. Motion passed unanimously 6-0.

5. Update on decorative poles along FM 2280.

Molly, Economic Development Director updated the members and staff that the decorative poles and the banners would be installed on Thursday, June 17th. Molly was asked to start looking at ordering Christmas and Starfest banners to display on the new decorative poles.

6. *Update on Retail Strategies.*

Retail Strategies met with Molly on June 3rd. They completed a demographic study of Keene and started reaching out to several different retailers in several different categories. Keene is on the radar for several of the businesses.

7. *Discussion and possible action to pursue bids for a second basketball court.*

The boards asked Molly to reach out and get some current bids and they would like to put them on a future agenda.

8. *Director's Report*

Nothing new to report

9. *Request for future agenda items.*

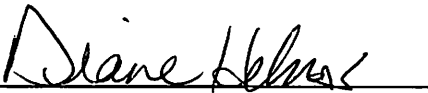
a. Assistance to help the chamber with flags.

b. Look into quote for an electric Boom for PW to use to install banners.

10. ***Adjourn 4:07 pm***



Ricky Stephens, Board Member



Diane Helms, City Secretary