



MINUTES

The Board of Directors of TexAmericas Center met to conduct business at 11 Chapel Lane, Suite B, New Boston, TX 75570 on March 26, 2024.

1. The Directors and public began to assemble at 11:30 a.m. while lunch was served.
2. The Reflection and Pledge of Allegiance were led by Scott Norton and Jim Roberts.
3. Jim Roberts, Chairman of the Board, called the meeting to order at 12:06 p.m., certifying that the meeting was properly posted, being held in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act and that a quorum was present.

4. Directors in Attendance were:

Jim Roberts	Justin Powell	Denis Washington	Ben King
Jimmy Howell	Marc Reiter	Robert Irwin	Dan Boyles
Kevin Avery	Steven Seals		

Directors Absent were:

Craig McDuffie	Tim Ketchum	Robbin Bass	Ron Collins
Fred Meisenheimer			

Staff and Others in Attendance were:

Scott Norton	Marla Byrd	Eric Voyles	Jeff Whitten
John Sesler	Andrew Hill	Wes Jordan Jordan Law Firm	Kyle Dooley Riverbend Water Resources Dist.

5. Jim Roberts called for Public Comments for Non-Agenda Items. Comments are limited to five minutes. None noted.
6. Jim Roberts called for Public Comments for Agenda Items. Comments are limited to five minutes. None noted.
7. Jim Roberts called for reports from the standing Committees of TexAmericas Center. No committees had met since the last board meeting; therefore, there were no reports.
8. A motion was made by Marc Reiter and seconded by Justin Powell to approve the items listed under the Consent Agenda. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Those items were:
 - a. Approved Minutes of Board Meeting from February 27, 2024.
 - b. Approved Check Book Register and Deposit Summary from February 22, 2024– March 18, 2024.

9. Kyle Dooley, Executive Director/CEO of Riverbend Water Resources District, provided a report regarding regional water.
10. Considered and took action upon **Resolution #20240326-01 authorizing the Executive Director to execute a contract with Murphy & Son Timber for Forest Products sale on Stand 36 upon TexAmericas Center - East.** A motion was made by Kevin Avery and seconded by Marc Reiter. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.
11. Considered and took action upon **Resolution #20240326-02 authorizing the Executive Director to execute a contract with Murphy & Son Timber for Forest Products sale on Stand 52 upon TexAmericas Center - East.** A motion was made by Kevin Avery and seconded by Marc Reiter. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.
12. Considered and took action upon **Resolution #20240326-03 approving the revised hunting license agreement with Kingwood Forestry Services, Inc., for hunting services.** A motion was made by Marc Reiter and seconded by Kevin Avery. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.
13. Considered and took action upon **Resolution #20240326-04 authorizing the Executive Director/CEO to execute a professional services agreement with Prime Focus LLC for grant writing consulting services.** A motion was made by Justin Powell and seconded by Denis Washington. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.
14. Staff Reports:
 - a. Scott Norton provided the Executive Director/CEO Report.
 - b. Eric Voyles provided the Executive Vice President/CEDO Report.
 - c. Jeff Whitten provided the Executive Vice President/COO Report.
 - d. John Sesler provided the Vice President of Logistics Report.
 - e. Andrew Hill provided the Vice President of Finance Report.
 - f. John Sesler provided the General Manager of Railroad and Transload Ops Report.
15. A motion was made by Ben King and seconded by Steven Seals to adjourn to Executive Session pursuant to the following Sections at 12:40 p.m. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.
 - a. Section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code; Consultation with attorney regarding legal issues relating to pending or contemplated litigation.
 - b. Section 551.072 of the Texas Government Code; Deliberation of the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property.
 - c. Section 551.074 of the Texas Government Code; Personnel Matters.
 - d. Section 551.087 of the Texas Government Code; Deliberation regarding Economic Development Negotiations.
16. A motion was made by Ben King and seconded by Justin Powell to reconvene in Open Session at 12:57 p.m. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.
17. Considered and took action upon **Resolution #20240326-05 authorizing the Executive Director/CEO to negotiate and execute a third amendment to the real estate contract by and between TexAmericas Center and Braven Environmental-Texarkana I, LLC for the sale of approximately 74.864 acres; and establishing an effective date.** A motion was made by Marc Reiter and seconded by Ben King. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

18. Considered and took action upon **Resolution #20240326-06 approving the assignment of a commercial contract to TexAmericas Center; approving the terms of the assigned contract; and authorizing the Executive Director to execute closing documents; and establishing an effective date.** A motion was made by Kevin Avery and seconded by Marc Reiter. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.
19. Considered and took action upon **Resolution #20240326-07 authorizing the Executive Director/CEO to purchase insurance through Duffer and Offenhauser to cover related aspects of TexAmericas Center operations.** A motion was made by Justin Powell and seconded by Marc Reiter. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

With no other business to discuss, a motion was made by Marc Reiter and seconded by Kevin Avery to adjourn the meeting at 12:59 p.m. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

The above and foregoing minutes of the TexAmericas Center Board of Directors meeting, March 26, 2024 were read and approved on April 23, 2024.


Justin Powell, Secretary