

MINUTES

Board of Directors Meeting

City of Ames Economic Development

May 25, 2024

President Emmett Albro called the regular Board of Directors meeting to order at 11:00 AM at the City of Ames, City Hall Building.

Attendance

Roll call was taken, and the following Board Members were present:

Emmett Albro, John Bennett, Jerry Reescano, Reggie Rollins, Barbara Lange and Eddie White.

Members that were absent Gio Stewart.

Approval of Board Agenda

A motion was made, and a vote taken to approve the Board Agenda. The agenda was approved.

Minutes for Prior Meeting

A motion was made, and a vote was taken to approve the April 30, 2024, minutes. The minutes were approved.

Mayor Domaine

Spoke to EDC helping to give direction in which the city is wishing to pursue. Mayor Domaine spoke of desires to obtain a logo and playground equipment, and fencing placing it on the old fire station pad using it as a temporary playground. She also spoke regarding in the future obtaining a larger property for a city park to include walking trails and other amenities.

Mayor Domaine also advised that she is placing it on the City Council Agenda for the next meeting to approve the police department and funds needed to file the application with the State of Texas.

Mayor Domaine also spoke about obtaining trees and planting on 160 south and in the curve next to Ames Wood.

The Fire Department for the City of Ames has already been established, need equipment. Looking for an acre of land to build a building which will consist of both the Police and Fire Department.

Other items mayor Domaine address:

- 1. The state is installing sidewalks and better drainage on 160 north.
- 2. The Internet is needed in a variety of areas in the city of Ames, such as 154, 1909, etc. Possibly speak to Comcast to see if they can expand to the needed areas.
- 3. Spoke about County Commissioner maintenance of road areas and \$400.00 monthly maintenance fees paid by the City of Ames.
- 4. The idea of warehouses constructed behind Dragon such as UPS, Amazon, etc.
- 5. Utilizing large fields that are available to hold events such as a circus, fair, etc.

EDC President (Emmett Albro)

Speaker Mr. Claxton regarding public transit system

Discussed Economic Development Proposal (Mike Barnes Group)

Emmett Albro vote to remove as a director on the EDC Board.

Adjournment

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting. The motion was voted and approved. The meeting was adjourned at 12:15 PM.

EDC Secretary

Date