

**BOARD MEETING MINUTES**  
**HAMILTON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION**  
**CITY OF HAMILTON, TEXAS**  
**August 24, 2022**  
**HAMILTON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION OFFICE**  
**108 NORTH BELL STREET**  
**HAMILTON, TEXAS 76531**  
**AT 5:30 P.M.**

The Economic Development Corporation Board for the city of Hamilton, Texas, convened for the monthly meeting on August 24, 2022, with President Randy Lee presiding.

**HEDC Board Members Present:**

Randy Lee - President  
Will Hale - Treasurer  
Jared Cook – Secretary  
Jeff Ensor  
Melanie Housden  
Lucas Robinson  
Reagan Reich

**HEDC Board Members Absent:**

**Others Present:**

Rodney Craddick – Mayor  
Jamie L. LaDuke – Executive Director, EDC  
Kayla Schraub – Main Street Program Manager

**REGULAR SESSION**

President Randy Lee called the meeting to order at 5:32 p.m.

Joseph Polster spoke during public comments. Joseph Polster stated that the most recent grant application involving the city of Hamilton's swimming pool was denied. Joseph encouraged the board to consider the request for new diving boards.

Board member Will Hale moved to approve the July 20, 2022, minutes. Board member Lucas Robinson seconded the motion, and with a unanimous vote, the motion carried.

Board member Lucas Robinson moved to approve the May 5, 2022, special meeting minutes. Board member Jared Cook seconded the motion, and with a unanimous vote, the motion carried. Board member Will Hale abstained.

Board member Will Hale presented the July 2022 Financial Report. Board member Reagan Reich moved to approve the July 2022 Financial Report as presented. Board member Jared Cook seconded the motion, and with a unanimous vote, the motion carried.

Lambert Little provided a brief presentation to the board about a residential subdivision (Chaparrel Road) he would like to develop on his land. The subdivision would assist with the housing shortage within the community. Mr. Little is looking for funding, in order to provide the infrastructure needed to begin the project. The board thanked Mr. Little for the information and will discuss at the next board meeting.

Grant Applications:

- a. Desert Tan – Josh and Lacy Beshears gave the board an overview of the new business. Board member Jeff Ensor made a motion to approve the Desert Tan Façade Grant Application, not to exceed \$5,000 in reimbursement. Board member Will Hale seconded the motion, and with a unanimous vote, the motion carried. The board discussed the Desert Tan Start-Up Business Grant application, stating that they would be more comfortable approving the application if the Beshears attended the next board meeting with a more detailed business plan, including profit and loss statements and employee plan. Jamie LaDuke, EDC Executive Director stated she would have a follow-up that conversation with the Beshears to relay the request.
- b. City of Hamilton – Jamie LaDuke provided an overview of the city’s Downtown Façade Grant application. Board member Jeff Ensor made a motion to approve the City of Hamilton Downtown Façade Grant application, not to exceed \$5,000 in reimbursement. Board member Reagan Reich seconded the motion, and with a unanimous vote, the motion carried.
- c. Siritta Khim and Chris McCormick – the board discussed the Downtown Façade Improvement Grant application. After discussion, the board determined that the location does not currently qualify, as it is primarily residential.

Jamie LaDuke, Executive Director, provided updates on the following:

- Parking Lot Project
- Hamilton Square Overlay

Board member comments and items to be placed on future agendas:

- Chaparrel Road Subdivision
- Desert Tan Start-Up Business Grant
- City of Hamilton Swimming Pool

Next meeting was set for September 21, 2022

Meeting was adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

Meeting minutes completed by: Jamie L. LaDuke, Executive Director

PASSED AND APPROVED this 5 day of October, 2022.

  
Randy Lee, HEDC President