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The England Economic and Industrial Development District Board of Commissioners

Regular Session
May 22, 2003

The England Economic and Industrial Development District met in Regular Session at the England Authority Board Room, 1611 Arnold Drive, England Industrial Airpark and Community, Alexandria, Louisiana, on Thursday, May 22nd, 2003.

There were present: Mr. Martin W. Johnson, Chairman; Mr. Wayne Miller, Vice Chairman, Mr. Mike Tudor, Ms. Bridgett Brown, Mr. Hank Bruser, Mr. Richard Bushnell, Mr. Elwood Carroll.

Absent: Mr. Wayne Denley, Mr. Kit Provine, Mr. Charles Waites

Also present were: Members of the England Authority staff, legal counsel, and members of the public, press and media.

Chairman Martin Johnson offered the invocation and Ms. Brown led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The England Economic and Industrial Development District was duly convened as the governing authority of said District by Mr. Martin Johnson, Chairman, who then stated that the England Economic and Industrial Development District was ready for the transaction of business.

Chairman Martin Johnson recognized Mr. Joe Fuller with the Rapides Parish Police Jury and Mr. Maurice Moore. Mr. Fuller approached the board regarding financial help with the promotion of the U.S.A. Boxing Team coming to Alexandria. There was discussion among board members regarding when the events would take place, amount of people coming to the city, cost of the project and how much money would be asked of the England Authority.

MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES

Motion by Mr. Bruser, second by Mr. Carroll to approve Minutes from the April 24th, 2003 Regular Board Meeting. On vote, motion carried. 035-2003

MOTION TO APPROVE PAYMENT OF ATTORNEY'S BILL FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL, 2003.

Motion by Mr. Bruser, second by Ms. Brown, to approve payment of attorney's bill for the month of April, 2003. On vote, motion carried. 036-2003

MOTION TO AMEND CODE TO SET EEIDD COMMITTEE MEETINGS IMMEDIATELY PRIOR TO REGULAR SCHEDULED EEIDD MONTHLY BOARD MEETING; SETTING TIME FOR STAFF TO MAIL INFORMATION PACKET TO BOARD AND MODIFYING MEETING SCHEDULE FOR THE REMAINDER OF 2003 AND OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO.

Motion by Mr. Miller, second by Ms. Brown, to amend code to set EEIDD committee meetings immediately prior to regular scheduled EEIDD monthly board meeting; setting time for staff to mail information packet to board and modifying meeting schedule for the remainder of 2003 and other matters related thereto. On vote, motion carried. 037-2003

MOTION TO AMEND LEASE BETWEEN EEIDD AND RURAL METRO TO APPROVE ADJUSTED INSURANCE COVERAGE.

Motion by Mr. Bruser, second by Mr. Miller to amend lease between EEIDD and rural metro to approve adjusted insurance coverage. On vote, motion carried. 038-2003

MOTION TO AUTHORIZE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO SIGN LEASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN EEIDD AND PARC ENGLAND HOTEL FOR ADDITIONAL STORAGE SPACE.

Motion by Mr. Carroll, second by Mr. Bruser to authorize Executive Director to sign lease agreement between EEIDD and PARC England Hotel for additional storage space. On vote, motion carried. 039-2003

MOTION TO AUTHORIZE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO SIGN AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY & CORRECTIONS AND EEIDD RENEWING CONTRACT FOR ONE YEAR.

Motion by Mr. Miller, second by Mr. Bruser, to authorize Executive Director to sign amendment to the agreement between Louisiana Department of Public Safety & Corrections and EEIDD renewing contract for one year. On vote, motion carried. 040-2003

MOTION TO APPROVE EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE APPRAISAL FORM APPROVED BY HUMAN RESOURCES COMMITTEE.

Motion by Mr. Carroll, second by Ms. Brown to approve employee performance appraisal form approved by Human Resources Committee. On vote, motion carried. 041-2003

ADDITIONS TO AGENDA

Motion by Mr. Tudor, second by Mr. Bruser to add the following item to agenda:

1. Motion to approve for payment, invoice received from Residential Design, LLC.

By unanimous vote, the item was added to the agenda.

MOTION TO PAY INVOICE RECEIVED FROM RESIDENTIAL DESIGN, LLC.

Motion by Mr. Tudor, second by Ms. Brown to approve for payment, invoice received from Residential Design, LLC.

Mr. Provosty asked commissioners to defer the above item to Committee so that counsel could review it. Mr. Provosty stated that he had never seen the document that approved the work that was done by Residential Design, LLC., and that the board had not taken any action on the matter. The board entered into discussion on this matter.

After discussion, Mr. Tudor amended his motion to read:
Motion to pay invoice received from Residential Design, LLC, contingent upon proper documentation being submitted to counsel and subsequent approval of payment by counsel. Ms. Brown seconded the amended motion. On vote, motion carried. 042-2003

Ms. Brown requested that the Chair allow further discussion on the USA Boxing issue. Ms. Brown questioned time frame and amount of money requested to be spent by the E.A. Further discussion was held on the issue. Final resolution was an instruction to the presenters to provide a written proposal to staff. Upon receiving that proposal, the Chair would decide upon the need for the special meeting.

Comments by Legal Counsel - Mr. Provosty had no comments, but did announce that in open session that another law suit had been filed. A slip and fall tort suit, filed by Carrie Pearson vs EEIDD. He asked that it be added to the Executive Session agenda.

Comments or Questions by Commissioners - None

Executive Director's Report - Air traffic for the month of April was up 4% in commercial; Fuel sales were 41% up from last year at this time. Finance report 83.33% for this fiscal year. 78.33% of funds had been spent.

Public Comments or Questions - None

MOTION TO ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS THE STATUS OF THE FOLLOWING LAWSUITS:

1. Marvin Pierce and David Tindall, III vs. EEIDD, Sammy Bonnette, Jon Grafton and XYZ Insurance Company.
2. Theodore Foster vs EEIDD, Sammy Bonnette, Jon Grafton and XYZ Insurance Company.
3. Central Electric Company of Alexandria, Inc. vs EEIDD
4. Carrie Pearson vs EEIDD

Motion by Mr. Bruser, second by Mr. Tudor to enter into Executive Session to discuss the four (4) lawsuits. On vote, motion carried. 043-2003

EXECUTIVE SESSION CONDUCTED

Motion by Mr. Miller, second by Mr. Tudor to exit the previously authorized Executive Session.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned.

Martin W. Johnson, Chairman
England Economic and Industrial Development District
Board of Commissioners

C. E. Provine, Secretary/Treasurer
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