Notice of Special Board Meeting
of the
Gun Barrel City Economic Development Corporation

The Gun Barrel City Economic Development Corporation met in a Special Board meeting in the Gun Barrel City Council Chamber located at 1716 West Main Street, Gun Barrel City, Texas, 75156, Thursday, October 9, 2014 at 5:15 p.m. Skains called the meeting to order at 5:15 p.m. with the following directors present: Rea, Damiano, Black, and Osborn. A quorum was established. Janow was absent.

Citizen's Comment:

Item #1. Discuss and/or take action to approve the minutes of September 16, 2014, September 17, 2014 and September 29, 2014.

Board Member - Gary Damiano: Motion to approve the minutes of September 16, 2014, September 17, 2014 and September 29, 2014.
Board Member - Jim Osborne: 2nd
Board Member - Gary Damiano: Approve
Board Member - Jim Osborne: Approve
Board Member - Patsy Black: Approve
Board Member - Rob Rea: Approve
Board Member - David Skains: Approve

Item #2. Discuss and/or take action to change EDC payroll from Semi-Monthly to Bi-Weekly.

Damiano: As it stands right now the Administrative Assistant for the EDC is paid on the first and fiftieth. One of the things we did was go back and look at the job description. We also implemented a time sheet covering the two week period. In what happens in keeping a time card over a two week period on a first and fifteen pay day cycle you end up with a day here or a day short. So what we are proposing is we move the EDC's Administrative Assistant's pay cycle to be every two weeks resulting in twenty-six pay periods per year as opposed to twenty-four. Anyone have any questions?
Black: Yes, I had one. I wasn't aware of a reason to change it. Is there a reason for time cards?
Damiano: For better documentation of work time-time off-comp. time-sick time as well as audit purposes. The other reason we are trying to do this is to coordinate with the City's payroll-pay schedule, which is every two weeks.
Black: I saw in the package where the auditors, the sheet they are given each time. I know the Quicken that she uses is compatible with it and the auditors get this every year and they are happy with it. I just didn't understand the need.
Damiano: The other thing that came out in the reevaluation-after taking a look at the job description-we also changed the reporting process so from an operational standpoint the Administrative Assistant reports to the President of the EDC and also turns the time card in to the President on a weekly basis. That was one of the things that we were missing.
Black: OK.
Damiano: Any other questions.
Osborne: We are in Federal violation if we don't have a time card, wage and hour.
Skains: Patsy, you look like you might have another question; you trying to process.
Black: No, I'm just trying to process.

Board Member - Jim Osborne: Motion to change the payroll to Bi-Weekly.
Board Member - Gary Damiano: 2nd
Board Member - Gary Damiano: Approve
Board Member - Jim Osborne: Approve
Board Member - Patsy Black: Disapprove
Board Member - Rob Rea: Approve
Board Member - David Skains: Approve

Item #3. Discuss and/or take action to become a Platinum Sponsor of CAT (Crappie Anglers of Texas)
Skains: The EDC had received a letter from Jay Reeves who couldn't be here tonight. He will speak at the next regular meeting. They want to hold their annual fishing tournament here at Cedar Creek Lake. They are looking at 80-100 angers being here for multiply days for the two day tournament. They will be here before the tournament to pre fish the tournament. Having fished semi-pro in Bass tournaments in my life time I've spent hours and hours to pre fish a tournament before you spend two or three hundred dollar entry fee; you want to make sure you can get on the fish. So they have asked us to sponsor them.

SPONSORSHIP REQUEST
CAT is requesting that the Gun Barrel City Economic Development Corporation become a ***Platinum Sponsor*** of CAT by making a ***$3,000 sponsorship donation*** to CAT in 2015. In exchange for such donation, Gun Barrel City will receive the following benefits from CAT:

Representatives from Gun Barrel City will be invited to attend any of our monthly meetings and speak briefly about lodging, restaurants and other amenities available to anglers in the Cedar Creek Lake area.

Gun Barrel City will be featured on our rotating headline banner at the top of the CAT website.

If Gun Barrel City will provide CAT with a 2' by 4' banner, CAT will hang this banner at every CAT meeting and tournament. The meetings and tournament weigh-ins are video-taped and made available on our website for members that cannot travel to the meeting or tournament.

Gun Barrel City will be introduced as a CAT sponsor at every CAT meeting.

Gun Barrel City will be featured on the side banner on the home page of the CAT website.

Gun Barrel City's name and link will be featured on the sponsor page of the CAT website.

Cedar Creek Lake will be designated as the site for the prestigious 2015 CAT Texas State Crappie Championship, which will be held September 11th and 12th, 2015.
The late-registration for the tournament will be held on September 10th, 2015 from 5-6pm at a location selected by Gun Barrel City. A casual restaurant would be an ideal location for this event because many anglers would stay for dinner following registration.
The 2015 CAT Year-End Banquet will be held on September 11, 2015 at 6pm at a location selected by Gun Barrel City officials. A buffet meal serving about 80 to 100 anglers and CAT sponsors would be served. All CAT year-end awards will be given out, and we would welcome

and introduce any officials or dignitaries from Gun Barrel City that are in attendance as our guests.

The weigh-in for each day of the tournament would be held at a location selected by Gun Barrel City.

DETAILS AND PROJECTIONS

CAT has held its last three Texas State Crappie Championships at Lake Palestine (2012, 2014) and Lake Fork (2013). CAT received sponsorship support for this tournament from the Coffee City Economic Development Corporation and the Emory Development Corporation in amounts substantially similar to the sponsorship requested of Gun Barrel City.

Based on attendance at our previous state championship tournaments the last 5 years, CAT anticipates that approximately 40 to 50 teams will qualify and compete in this tournament. Each team is composed of two anglers.

CAT believes that approximately 80 to 100 individual anglers and their families will visit Gun Barrel City in the weeks and months leading up to the championship. The majority of these anglers will make two or more trips to the lake prior to the tournament for pre-fishing. Many of our anglers will stay overnight in the area at least two nights while pre-fishing for the tournament, and most of these anglers will stay overnight in the area for three nights while competing in the tournament. All anglers will be purchasing fuel, food and other sundries while in the area.
CAT would be glad to work with hotels in Gun Barrel City in order to encourage our anglers to stay at their facilities.

Boren: This could fall under Hotel/Motel tax since it will put heads in beds. I think we could entertain this to the council as well.
Skains: I think so to make it a big event. I would like to table this tonight so Mr. Reeves can come and speak to the EDC and council members can hear what he has to say. We might flip this over to the council. We looked at it coming out of our marketing budget as well. Speaking with the Mayor, I think we can help this be a bigger event. I relayed that to Mr. Reeves that we wouldn't have a problem getting the support, but we might be able to make it a larger event than what he is asking. One tournament will breed one more and that might breed four more. The more people we put in bed and the more people we can put people in restaurants. There were a lot of questions to be asked.

Board Member - Rob Rea: Motion to table Item 3 until the next regular meeting.
Board Member - Gary Damiano: 2nd
Board Member - Gary Damiano: Approve
Board Member - Jim Osborne: Approve
Board Member - Patsy Black: Approve
Board Member - Rob Rea: Approve
Board Member - David Skains: Approve

Item #4. Discuss current and future projects for the EDC.

Skains: Is there anyone that has anything to report on current projects. I've talked to the principal of Project Office Space this afternoon and Jim Osborne and I will meet with him Wednesday at 1 o'clock. We have some things on the burner and hopefully we can get moving forward and have some good information to report at our regular meeting this month.
Future projects: This is where I get to preach for a moment. I want to talk about what I as the new President of the EDC, what my feelings are and that doesn't mean that is the way the board will go. We will go the way the majority of the board feels we should go. My goals are that we have come from a field of dreams approach, which is a kind of build it, they will come. We've talked about the big bang theory; let's try to find the one thing that will blow us out of the water and heal all wounds. My approach is somewhere in the middle; a targeted approach toward businesses that fit our city as a city and keeping an eye on the big hitters. If we can find them, let's go after them, but let's not put all of our eggs in that basket. Let's look at what fits the city and fill the empty buildings on Main Street. That's kind of the approach that I'd like to see us go. I don't have a problem of trying to bring in large industry; that's our ultimate goal but we've got to start it somewhere. I think it's easier to pick the low hanging fruit that we have. So that's my vision for the future. I can be swayed if anyone has a different opinion if anyone wants to share their opinion. I just wanted the board and everyone to know what my thought process is. My belief is once we start rolling some businesses in here, I believe activity creates more activity. In my EDC talk to the City Council when I came on board that I believed in creating jobs that created other jobs. I still have that belief. Our goal is to bring in industry that brings in other jobs. I think a targeted approach is warranted at this time.

Adjournment: 5:31 p.m.

Approved by: _____
David Skains, President

Attest by: _____
Patsy Black, Secretary