

MINUTES

State Enterprise Zone Development Agency – February 18, 2015

750 South 5th Street, Immokalee, FL

A. Call to Order. The meeting was called to order by Mike Facundo, CRA Chair at 11:18 A.M.

B. Roll Call and Announcement of a Quorum.

EZDA Members Present:

Mike Facundo, Floyd Crews, Ski Olesky, Cristina Perez, Estil Null, Martha Williams, and Carrie Williams.

EZDA Members Absent/Excused:

Jim Wall, Julio Estremera, Frank Nappo, Robert Halman and Cindy Lozano.

Action: A quorum was announced as being present.

Others Present: Dottie Cook, Matt Williams, Bryan Fluech, Andrea Halman, Steve Kirk, Michel Mosca, Laurie Beard, Amy Patterson, David Torres, Gary Hains, and Elizabeth Lazzara.

Staff: Brad Muckel, Christie Betancourt, and James Sainvilus.

C. Adoption of Agenda.

Staff added the three advisory board applications to the Consent Agenda.

Action: Ms. Carrie Williams made a motion to approve the Agenda with the addition of Agenda item D2.i.ii.& iii. Mr. Ski Olesky seconded the motion and it passed by unanimous vote. 7-0.

D. Consent Agenda.

1. Approval of Minutes

i. Joint CRA/EZDA & MSTU Advisory Committee Meeting for January 28, 2015.

Ms. Carrie Williams said that section N.2. in the minutes was misleading. Staff read the original motion which said Ms. Carrie Williams made a motion requesting that the CRA send a letter of support to the county supporting the Arrowhead Reserve at Lake Trafford Property Owner's Association, Inc. to allow the owner's a three year extension to get the project back in compliance with the requirements. The motion was seconded by Ms. Cindy Lozano and the motion was approved by a 10-1 vote with Floyd Crews voting against the motion.

Ms. Carrie Williams would like for the minutes to reflect that no financial support will be provided by the CRA.

Action: Ms. Carrie Williams made a motion to approve the January 28, 2015 CRA minutes with a language addition. The motion was seconded by Mr. Ski Olesky and the minutes were approved by unanimous vote. 7-0.

2. Advisory Board Re-Election Applicants

Staff provided the board copies of the advisory board applications for review.

i. Frank Nappo

ii. Mike Facundo

iii. Julio Estremera

Action: *Ms. Carrie Williams made a motion to reappoint advisory board applicants Frank Nappo, Mike Facundo, and Julio Estremera to the Immokalee Enterprise Zone Development Agency Advisory Committee. Mr. Ski Olesky seconded the motion and the motion was approved by unanimous vote. 7-0.*

E. Old Business.

1. Land Available list – update

Staff will finalize lands available list and present it to you next month.

F. New Business.

1. Florida Enterprise Zone Program Discussion

Staff provided board an update on the Enterprise Zone program which is scheduled to sunset in December 2015.

Staff provided board with Enclosure 2 which is an email about today's teleconference at 2:00 PM. They are proposing a different program to replace the Enterprise Zone.

Action: *Ms. Carrie Williams made a motion to direct staff to write a letter to the Senate, the House, the president of the Senate, the Speaker of the House and our representatives. Requesting an extension to the Enterprise Zone Development program and making some programmatic changes to allow for small business participation and recognize all business not just corporations. Mr. Estil Null seconded the motion and the motion was approved by unanimous vote. 7-0.*

G. Citizen Comments: None.

H. Next Meeting. EZDA meeting will be on Wednesday, March 18, 2015 at 8:30 A.M.

I. Adjournment. The meeting adjourned at 11: 24 AM