



**OVERTON
MUNICIPAL DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT**

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SPECIAL CALLED MEETING**

January 6, 2021

Minutes of the OMDD Regular Called Board Meeting held on **January 6, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.** at City Hall, 1200 S. Commerce St., Overton, Texas.

(OMDD) Board

PRESENT:

Joel Kerby, Chairman

Loretta Posey

David Stone

Deborah Poole

ABSENT:

Nathan Kendall, Vice-Chairman

Staff Present

Clyde Carter, Interim City Manager
Wendy Bates, Sr. Finance Clerk/UB Clerk

A. CALL TO ORDER - Chairman Kerby called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

1. Invocation led by Chairman Kerby.
2. Pledge of Allegiance led by Chairman Kerby.

B. PUBLIC FORUM

None.

C. FINANCIAL REPORT

1. Presentation of Financial Reports for the periods ending:

November 2020

December 2020

Sr. Finance Clerk/UB Clerk Wendy Bates gave the Board a brief financial presentation and explained that while there are no current projects restricting funds, the match for the Texas Parks & Wildlife Recreational Trails grant is upcoming.

2. Presentation of invoices paid or to be paid.
 - a. None

D. CONSENT AGENDA

1. Consider and/or approve the minutes of the Regular Called Meeting of the OMMD on November 12, 2020.



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Board member Posey made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Board member Stone. Board member Posey referred to the Sales Tax Collection History Report and asked if staff knew how many businesses the City collected sales tax from. Sr. Finance Clerk Wendy Bates explained that this was difficult to ascertain because of the amount of internet sales and home businesses. She explained the Comptroller's Confidentiality Report and suggested that Finance Director Sherry Roberts could obtain this report if necessary. Board member Posey said this was not necessary.

Board member Posey then asked if the check to the Overton-New London Area Chamber of Commerce had been issued for lights and decorations. She did not know if the items were purchased since the parade was canceled. Interim Clyde Carter and Board member Poole both agreed that this check was issued.

As a motion and second to approve the minutes was on the table, Chairman Kerby asked for a vote. Carried unanimously.

E. BUSINESS

1. Discuss and/or approve the Texas Parks & Wildlife Recreational Trails Grant Project and to split the grant match with the Overton Economic Development Corporation.

Chairman Kerby reminded the Board about SPI, Inc. Representative Robert Haberle's presentation at the previous meeting regarding the grant match for this project. This grant would be an 80/20 cost share with Texas Parks & Wildlife paying 80 percent of the project and the Overton Economic Development Corporation (OEDC) and the Overton Municipal Development District (OMDD) sharing the 20 percent cost equally. He then explained the proposed trail that would be approximately 3,000 feet that would go around the lower lake which would be an 8' wide asphalt walkway. The total project is projected to be \$249,928. There is a 6 percent construction phase and grant management services of \$13,389 which would bring the City's total cost to \$63,374 which the OEDC and the OMDD would share equally. The 2021 Texas Parks & Wildlife Recreational Trails Committee was pleased with the drawing and proposal. Chairman Kerby stated that the OEDC Board has already approved the project and match. He further explained that this project may not include everything that the Board thought of but there will be opportunities in the upcoming years to reapply. Board member Posey clarified that the grant by TP&W is \$199,942.40. Ms. Bates explained that it is a reimbursable grant. The City will be reimbursed up to that amount after paying the expenses up front.

Board member Posey asked if the proposed trail on the City website and Facebook page. Ms. Bates did not believe the map is on the website but should not see a problem with putting it on the website. Board member Poole explained that her concern is not the trails themselves, but she does suggest the map be put online. She rhetorically questioned if our citizens really want this project, how many citizens know about the project, and how does the community feel about it. Board member Posey explained that during live Council meetings, citizens have asked about where the money was coming from. She wanted to make sure the community understands that the \$199,000 is coming from the Texas Parks & Wildlife. She further explained that the OMDD's 10 percent would be approximately \$31,687.30. Board member Poole asked if the grant is approved then the Board finds out that the citizens are not in favor of the project if the



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grant can be rescinded. Interim City Manager opined that if the grant has not been accepted, it should be able to be rescinded. Ms. Bates explained that if the City is approved and the City then rejects the grant, it might be harder to get approved in the future. Mayor Evans explained the matching funds will not come out of the City budget. The expenses may have to be paid from the City's bank account, but will be reimbursed by the state, OEDC, and OMDD. Board member Posey stated the state will award the projects in May and asked if staff knows when the project will begin. Ms. Bates explained that the start date is up to the City and is flexible.

Board member Stone opined this is the type of project that will last for a long time and will be used by all ages. It could be a draw for Overton and get future grants to further the project.

Motion to approve made by Board member Stone, seconded by Board member Poole. Board member Posey amended the motion to place a grant match of \$35,000 on the project, seconded by Board member Poole. Carried unanimously.

F. ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Kerby adjourned the meeting at 6:45 p.m.

Minutes submitted, approved and/or corrected this 10th day of February 2021.

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Joel/L. Kerby, Chairman

Attested by:



Sherry Roberts, TRMC
Interim City Secretary/Board Executive Secretary

