**MDD BOARD MEETING MINUTES – MONDAY, MARCH 8, 2021**

**PRESENT**: Carolyn Lawrence, Jerod Peek, Gil Cherry, Russ Petty, Joseph Crouch, Ken Becker, Miesha Adames, Jeff Allen, David Vela, Cathrine Wilks

**LOCATION:** Council Chamber in Sweetwater City Hall (200 E. 4th Street).

Follow the link to view: <https://www.sweetwatertexas.net/seed-mdd-board-recording-03-08-2021/>

**CALL TO ORDER**: 10:00 AM by Carolyn Lawrence

**PRAYER:** Jerod Peek

**PUBLIC INPUT:** None

**ACTION ITEMS**:

**MINUTES**: Board to review and consider approving minutes from the February 8, 2021 meeting. Russ Petty made the motion to approve the minutes. Gil Cherry seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

**ACCOUNTS PAYABLE**: Board to review and consider approving accounts payables. Joseph Crouch made the motion to approve the accounts payable. Jerod Peek seconded. Russ Petty abstained. The motion carried 4-0.

**FINANCIALS**: Board to review and consider approving the January 2021 financial statements. Jerod Peek made the motion to approve the financials. Russ Petty seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

**FAÇADE IMPROVEMENT GRANT:** Board to review and consider approving a Façade Improvement Grant for 1408 E. Broadway. Jerod Peek made the motion to approve the grant in an amount not to exceed $1,879.50. Joseph Crouch seconded. Russ Petty abstained. The motion carried 4-0.

**MARKETING DIRECTOR’S REPORT (MIESHA ADAMES):**

* MDD Board Meetings going forward (virtual, in-person, or combination of both)
* Website update

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR UPDATE (KEN BECKER):**

* Connected Nation
* IcyBreeze Cooling, LLC annual report: Sales was 73.79% of the 2020 target. IB will receive credit for 7 FTEs. Total incentive for 2020 is $36,000.00.
* Georgia Pacific update

**CLOSED SESSION:**  Jerod Peek made the motion to enter into Executive Session under Section 551.087 of the Texas Government Code, to discuss economic development negotiations. No action will be taken in the Executive Session as it is not permitted by law. Russ Petty seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

**RECONVENE:** A motion was made by Jerod Peek to re-enter into Regular Session with a second from Joseph Crouch. The motion carried unanimously.

There being no further business, Gil Cherry made the motion to adjourn. The motion carried unanimously.