

**GROVE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, JULY 19, 2021
4:00 PM
MINUTES**

The Grove Economic Development Authority met in regular session on Monday, July 19, 2021 at 4:00 PM with Chairman, Ron Lay presiding. Members present were Ivan Devitt and David Adzigian. Member(s) Keith Martin and Mike Lewandowski were absent. Also present was Interim General Manager, Debbie Bottoroff; City Treasurer, Lisa Allred; Chamber of Commerce Director, Donnie Crain and City Clerk, Bonnie Buzzard.

Devitt made the motion to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Seconded by Adzigian. AYE: Devitt, Adzigian and Lay. NAY: None. Motion carried.

Adzigian made the motion to approve the purchase order register. Seconded by Devitt. AYE: Devitt, Adzigian and Lay. NAY: None. Motion carried.

Lay opened the floor for discussion with respect to a presentation by Air Evac, EMS Inc., as requested at the June 21, 2021 meeting to provide additional information for GEDA members to assist with making a decision regarding leasing GEDA owned property located at 1112 Sports & Rec Drive, for the location of an Air Ambulance Facility. Lay turned the floor over to the Air Evac team for their presentation from the project demonstration:

- Ronnie Flemming – Regional Director Flight Operations
- Johnathan Dunn – Senior Program Director, and

Flemming addressed the Board to present additional data information pertaining to the following project concerns from the Board, and to the recent flight demonstration that was displayed on the morning of Friday, July 9th at the proposed site location north of the ambulance barn:

- Flight platform
- Flight plan & profiles
- Noise decimal
- Demonstration of helicopter operation
- Other location options

The Air Evac representatives then entertained questions, comments and concerns from the Board and Staff. Bottoroff reported that the project site plan would need to be presented to the Planning and Zoning Board for consideration. Lay reported that Lewandowski was not able to make official contract with the Integris Health Authority in regards to their reasoning for denying Air Evac at their facility site. Devitt made the motion to approve the site location for the Air Evac facility. Seconded by Adzigian. AYE: Devitt, Adzigian and Lay. NAY: None. Motion carried.

STAFF REPORT:

Crain addressed the Board with a report on the June 2021 Retail Attraction activity engagement with nine (9) potential prospects interested in investing in Grove consisting of:

- Five (5) restaurants
- One (1) retailer
- One (1) distribution center
- One (1) recreation facility, and
- One (1) commercial developer

Crain then updated the Board on an Industrial Park prospect that could possible create approximately 45 new jobs. Crain mentioned that the owner requested additional time to discuss the project.

At 4:55 PM Devitt made the motion to adjourn. Seconded by Adzigian. AYE: Devitt, Adzigian and Lay. NAY: None. Motion carried.