

1093 RAILS TO TRAILS LOCAL GOVERNMENT CORPORATION

Board of Directors Regular Meeting MINUTES

Monday, February 5, 2024 at 4:00 PM

6810 Guyler Street, Wallis, Texas 77485

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1. Call to order. **Meeting Called to Order by Chair @ 4:00 p.m.**
2. Roll Call and Certification of a Quorum. **Roll Call established a quorum with the following Board Members present: Belinda Halfin, Linda Harnist, James King, Bobbe Nolan, Gayelynn Thomas. Others present: Cheryl Mergo and Andrea Tantillo, Joshua Tuck, Dan McDonald, and Madeleine Hirsch.**
3. PUBLIC COMMENTS: Communication from the public is limited to the first eight registrants – limited to three minutes in accordance with the Open Meetings Act, 1093 RTT LGC Board may not discuss or act on any item that has not been posted on the agenda. **No comments from the public. Chair Belinda Halfin announced there will be a book signing on March 7, 2024, at the Brandt 1910 in Wallis.**
4. CONSENT AGENDA: This portion of the agenda consists of items considered to be routine and will be enacted by one motion unless separate discussion is requested by a Board Member.
 - 4.1 Approve Minutes: January 8, 2023
 - 4.2 Financial Report: January 2023 **Motion to approve by James King, Second by Linda Harnist; motion carried.**
5. LEGAL & REPORTING ACTIVITIES:
 - a. FBCTRA LEASE: Discuss and act on McDonald & Wessendorff Insurance Proposal. **Motion to accept and have a budget committee established by James King, Seconded by Gayelynn Thomas; motion carried.**
 - b. Information; Government entity Eminent Domain Reporting requirements. **No Action**
 - c. Discuss and Act on LGC Fiscal Year Reporting requirements. **Chair Belinda Halfin will explore requirements.**
6. BUSINESS ACTIVITIES:
 - a. Discuss review of NPS Master Plan and follow-up for 2024 NPS engagement. **A virtual meeting for public comments was scheduled for March 12, 2024 @ 7:00 p.m.**
 - b. Discuss TxDOT-NPS Master Plan interface Teams Meeting on January 22. **Chair Belinda Halfin reported on the meeting and will announce meeting dates and times as they become available.**
 - c. Discuss and act on any H-GAC updates or information relating to the LGC. **See attached letter from Andrea Tantillo, HGAC. Cheryl Mergo reported she is exploring grant opportunities.**
 - d. Discuss and act on LGC's strategy and goals for 2024. **Some items discussed were establishing teams of volunteers, engagement strategy, possible addition of an admin.**

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- a. Continue actions for LGC's strategy and goals for 2024.**
- b. Follow-up engaging the City of Simonton for input on LGC and trail development.**
- c. Continue consideration of 'Friends of the Trail' 501(c)3 and/or designate committees.**
- d. Budget committee**

**ADJOURN Motion to Adjourn made by James King, seconded by Bobbe Nolan.
Meeting adjourned at 5:01 p.m.**

Minutes respectfully submitted by Secretary

Chair _____ -