

THE CITY OF  
**BALCH SPRINGS**  
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

**BALCH SPRINGS  
COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION TYPE B  
JANUARY 11, 2023**

**MINUTES**

The Balch Springs Community & Economic Development Corporation Type B conducted a Regular Meeting on Wednesday January 11, 2023 at 6:00 PM.

**1. Identification of quorum.**

Meeting was called to order at 6:09 PM by Vice-President Yemi Salau

**Present:** Yemi Salau  
Rick Brumfield  
Wanda Adams  
Helen Shelby

**Absent:** Rhonda Ashcraft  
Kelwyn Hill  
Arianna Hill

**Staff:** Charles Fenner, ED Director  
Chris Dyser, Community Development Director  
Effie Donaldson, ED Manager  
William Freeman, Director of Public Works

**Attorney:** Jeff Moore

**2. Public Comments.** – No Public Comments were given.

**3. Approval of Minutes.**

a. Special Joint Meeting Minutes for December 14, 2022

Wanda Adams made a motion to approve the Special Joint meeting minutes for December 14, 2022 as presented.

Helen Shelby seconded the motion.

For: Yemi Salau, Rick Brumfield, Wanda Adams and Helen Shelby

Motion Passed 4-0

**4.** Discussion, update and action concerning park projects as recommended by the Parks & Recreation Board.

Public Works Director William Freeman gave an update regarding the Parks Board meeting on December 13, 2022. No action was taken.

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**5. Executive Session:** The Balch Springs Community and Economic Development Corporation (Type B) convened into a closed executive session pursuant to Section 551.087 of the Texas Government Code to deliberate the offer of a financial or other incentive to a business prospect that the Board seeks to locate in the city and with which the board is conducting economic development negotiations with Stonelake Capital, TKG and the Rylie Crest Drive business corridor.

**The board convened into closed session at 6:25pm.**

**6. Reconvene into Open Session:** The Balch Springs Community and Economic Development Corporation (Type B) reconvened into open session to take any action necessary related to the executive session.

**The board reconvened into open session at 7:13pm.**

**No action was taken.**

**7. Reports:**

**a. Economic Development Reports and Project Updates.**

- i. City Manager updates
- ii. Financial Reports
- iii. Development updates
- iv. Keep Balch Springs Beautiful update
- v. Park Amenity Project
- vi. STAR Transit Reports
- vii. Other Economic Development Reports/Updates
- viii. Activity/Staff Reports

Charles Fenner Economic Development Director, Chris Dyser Community Development Director, and EDC Staff Effie Donaldson gave updates to the board on current economic development projects including a development activity update, finance report, Star Transit ridership reports, parks projects update, and the monthly update on staff activity reports.

**b. Chamber of Commerce**

**i. Update on Chamber and Economic development projects.**

Balch Springs Chamber of Commerce President Alvester Gibson was present to give the board *an update concerning past and upcoming events with the Chamber of Commerce.*

**8. Announcements, request for information and or new business items for future agenda item.**

- The Next Type B Meeting is February 8, 2023 at 6:00 PM.
- City of Balch Springs Offices will be closed on Monday January 16<sup>th</sup> for the Martin Luther King Holiday

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- Mayor Carrie Gordon's State of the City Address is on Monday January 30<sup>th</sup> from 11am-1pm at the Civic Center
- The Economic Development Business Summit will be at the Civic Center on February 22, 2023 from 11am-1pm.
- The 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Chamber of Commerce 2023 Golf Tournament is scheduled for September 22<sup>nd</sup>.

**9. Adjournment.**

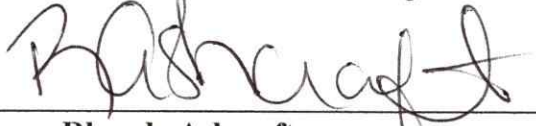
Wanda Adams made the motion to adjourn.

Rick Brumfield seconded the motion.

For: Yemi Salau, Rick Brumfield, Wanda Adams and Helen Shelby

Motion Passed 4-0

**Vice President Yemi Salau adjourned the meeting at 7:35 PM.**



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**Rhonda Ashcraft**  
**BSCEDC Type B President**



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**Linda Highwood**  
**Economic Development Project Manager**

**Minutes were passed and approved at the regular meeting held on February 8, 2023.**