

**Iberia Economic Development Authority  
Regular Meeting Minutes  
Friday, November 19, 2021**

Board of Commissioners of the Iberia Economic Development Authority  
met on Friday, November 19, 2021 at 7:30 a.m. at  
101 Burke Street, New Iberia, LA 70560

The meeting was called to order and the roll was called for.

Members Present: Cecil Hymel, Bart Romero, Fran Henderson

Absent: Damon Migués

Others Present: Michael Tarantino, Evelyn Ducote, Jeff Simon, Matt Landry

There were no public comments.

Mr. Hymel asked the Commissioners to review the October, 2021 meeting minutes. On a motion by Fran Henderson, seconded by Bart Romero, the minutes were unanimously approved.

Mr. Hymel asked the Commissioners to review the financials for the month of October, 2021. On a motion by Bart Romero, seconded by Fran Henderson, the financials were unanimously approved.

Mr. Tarantino reported that he had been contacted to renew the IEDA ad in the Discover Iberia publication for this coming year. He was coming to the commissioners to find out if they wanted to approve the ad purchase. After discussion, no action was taken.

Mr. Hymel asked Mike Tarantino to proceed with his business park update. Mr. Tarantino reported that December 1st was still the target start date for the Progress Point waterline construction to begin. Noted discussions were ongoing regarding the proposed UL/NIRC Bio Innovation Center to be located at Progress Point. Reported that there was a good meeting held last month regarding the project. Reported that the new airport access road construction was going well. Matt Landry with Berard, Habetz gave a short update on the sewer line project, noting we were close to going out for bid on the project. Reported that the LDH permit for the project was in the review and approval process and is working its way through the LDH system.

Mr. Tarantino then proceeded with this economic development update. Reviewed the current economic indicators.

On a motion by Fran Henderson, seconded by Bart Romero, and unanimously approved, the meeting was adjourned. The next meeting is scheduled for Friday, December 16, 2021 at 7:30 AM. The meeting will be held at the IDF Offices.