

Iberia Economic Development Authority
Regular Meeting Minutes
Friday, October 22, 2021

Board of Commissioners of the Iberia Economic Development Authority
met on Friday, October 22, 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, Damon Miguez, Fran Henderson
Others Present: Michael Tarantino, Evelyn Ducote, Jeff Simon, Matt Landry

There were no public comments.

Mr. Hymel asked the Commissioners to review the September, 2021 meeting minutes. On a motion by Damon Miguez, seconded by Bart Romero, the minutes were unanimously approved.

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

Mr. Hymel asked Mike Tarantino to proceed with his business park update. Mr. Tarantino said that discussions were ongoing regarding the proposed UL/NIRC Bio Innovation Center to be located at Progress Point. Noted that the project was in the state capital outlay request process for the next legislative session. Reported that the grass on the Progress Point property had been recently cut. Reported that the new airport access road construction was going well with only a slight weather delay. Noted that the IEDA had submitted our state capital outlay request for next fiscal year, and we received letters of support for our project from our local legislative delegation. Reported that December 1st was the target start date for the Progress Point waterline construction to begin.

Matt Landry with Berard, Habetz gave a short update on the sewer line construction, noting we were close to going out for bid on the project. Reported that he will start working on the things Berard, Habetz was responsible for in preparation of the waterline construction starting.

Mr. Tarantino then proceeded with this economic development update. Reviewed the current economic indicators. Announced that there was a public meeting next week at UL Lafayette regarding the upcoming reapportionment of legislative districts and encouraged everyone to attend.

On a motion by Damon Miguez, seconded by Bart Romero, and unanimously approved, the meeting was adjourned. The next meeting is scheduled for Friday, November 19, 2021 at 7:30 AM. The meeting will be held at the IDF Offices.