

**Board Meeting  
November 17, 2020**

**St. Landry Parish Economic Industrial Development District  
Business Resource Center  
5367 I-49 S. Service Road  
Opelousas, LA 70570**

Chairman, Andy Dakin opened the regular board meeting at 10:17 A.M.

**Voting Members Present:** Andy Dakin, Hals Beard, Roma Stewart, Lena Charles, Donald Dejean, Seth Robin, Ken Simeral, Erika Milton, and Don Reber.

**Voting Members Absent:** Lynn Lejeune, Joe Darby, Ken Marks, Dr. Gerald Thompson, Brett Manual, Kevin Simoneaux, Wil Fontenot, and Daniel Lyons.

**Non-Voting Members Present:** Bill Rodier

**Non-Voting Members Absent:** Glenda Carriere and Taylor Lormand

The meeting was called to order, but a quorum was not present.

The following guests were in attendance as follows:

Dwight Landreneau                      -Mayor of Washington

**NEW BUSINESS**

***Adoption of the October 2020 Board Meeting Minutes:*** Adoption of the October 2020 Board Meeting minutes was tabled until next month, due to lack of a quorum.

***Public Comments:***

***Robert Tomlison:*** Robert Tomlison requested to be on the agenda for the SLED Board Meeting, but he was not in attendance at the meeting.

***Financial Report:*** Hals Beard provided an overview of the October 2020 financials. Adoption of the October 2020 financials was tabled until next month, due to lack of a quorum.

***Executive Committee Report:*** Adoption of the November 2020 Executive Committee meeting was tabled until next month, due to lack of a quorum.

***SLED Road Boundary Agreement:*** Chairman Andy Dakin stated that the boundary agreement has been prepared. The boundary lines to give S&B Sawmill the .3866 acres necessary to bring that within their boundary lines have been redrawn. The Executive Committee gave authorization to Andy Dakin to sign that agreement. We will ratify this at the next SLED Board Meeting in December 2020.

***I-49 Midway Corridor Update:*** CEO Bill Rodier indicated that included in the packet was the latest draft document of the I-49 Corridor Project. He stated that our industrial board, along with

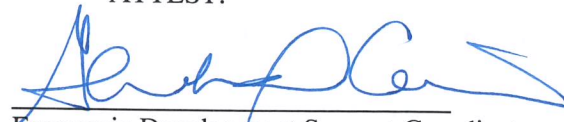
a grant from the USDA funded this project. All the communities in the corridor have adopted this plan. He stated he received an estimated cost of \$131,000 for the second phase of the I-49 Corridor Project from the Acadiana Planning Commission.

**Logan Development Group Evaluation Update:** CEO Bill Rodier stated that we are looking at modeling after Lafayette Economic Development and the priority of work we are doing at SLED. Chairman Andy Dakin suggested that the board members study the Logan report and think about what our mission as a board should be. He stated we need to be in the frame of mind of consensus building for long term confidence and planning; and decide what is best for the largest number in this parish.

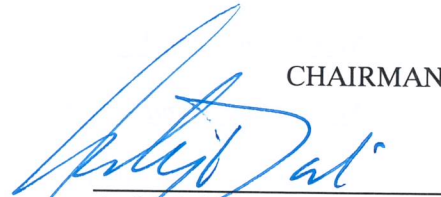
Chairman Andy Dakin indicated that elections would take place in January 2021 and for the members to start thinking about if they are interested in running for any of these positions.

Having no further business to discuss, and no quorum to adjourn, the meeting was suspended.

ATTEST:

  
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Economic Development Support Coordinator

CHAIRMAN:

  
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Andy Dakin