



MINUTES

The Board of Directors of TexAmericas Center met to conduct business at 11 Chapel Lane, Suite B, New Boston, TX 75570 on August 22, 2023.

1. The Directors and public began to assemble at 11:30 a.m. while lunch was served.
2. The Reflection and Pledge of Allegiance were led by Scott Norton and Jim Roberts.
3. Jim Roberts, Chairman of the Board, called the meeting to order at 12:09 p.m., certifying that the meeting was properly posted, being held in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act and that a quorum was present.

4. **Directors in Attendance were:**

Jim Roberts	Justin Powell	Denis Washington	Ron Collins
Jimmy Howell	Kevin Avery	Craig McDuffie	Marc Reiter
Dan Boyles	Fred Meisenheimer	Tim Ketchum	Robert Irwin
Robbin Bass			

Directors Absent were:

Ben King Steven Seals

Staff and Others in Attendance were:

Scott Norton	Marla Byrd	Andrew Hill	Eric Voyles
Jeff Whitten	John Sesler	Wes Jordan	Judge Bobby Howell
		Jordan Law Firm	Bowie County Judge

Kyle Dooley

Riverbend Water Resources District

5. Jim Roberts called for Public Comments for Non-Agenda Items. Comments are limited to five minutes. None noted.
6. Jim Roberts called for Public Comments for Agenda Items. Comments are limited to five minutes. None noted.
7. Jim Roberts called for reports from the standing Committees of TexAmericas Center. Committees that met since the last board meeting were:
 - a. Infrastructure/REM
 - b. Environmental
 - c. Executive

No other comments other than minutes provided in the board packet.

8. A motion was made by Dan Boyles and seconded by Fred Meisenheimer to approve the items listed under the Consent Agenda. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Those items were:
 - a. Approved Minutes of Board Meeting from July 25, 2023.
 - b. Approved Check Book Register and Deposit Summary from July 18, 2023 – August 15, 2023.
9. Kyle Dooley, Executive Director/CEO of Riverbend Water Resources District, provided a report regarding regional water.
10. Scott Norton led a discussion/presentation of the FY23 Budget Amendments and FY24 Budget Workshop.
11. Staff Reports:
 - a. Scott Norton provided the Executive Director/CEO Report.
 - b. Eric Voyles provided the Executive Vice President/CEDO Report.
 - c. Jeff Whitten provided the Executive Vice President/COO Report.
 - d. John Sesler provided the Vice President of Logistics Report.
 - e. Andrew Hill provided the Vice President of Finance Report.
 - f. John Sesler provided the General Manager of Railroad and Transload Ops Report.
12. A motion was made by Ron Collins and seconded by Justin Powell to adjourn to Executive Session at 1:04 p.m. pursuant to the following Sections. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.
 - a. Section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code; Consultation with attorney regarding legal issues relating to pending or contemplated litigation.
 - b. Section 551.072 of the Texas Government Code; Deliberation of the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property.
 - c. Section 551.074 of the Texas Government Code; Personnel Matters.
 - d. Section 551.087 of the Texas Government Code; Deliberation regarding Economic Development Negotiations.
13. A motion was made by Marc Reiter and seconded by Ron Collins to reconvene in Open Session at 1:35 p.m. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.
14. Considered and took action upon **Resolution #20230822-01 authorizing the Executive Director/CEO to execute a lease agreement for 180 Arkansas Avenue, Lot H, New Boston, TX 75570 to Ambica General Services, Inc.** A motion was made by Marc Reiter and seconded by Ron Collins. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

With no other business to discuss, a motion was made by Marc Reiter and seconded by Denis Washington to adjourn the meeting at 1:36 p.m. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

The above and foregoing minutes of the TexAmericas Center Board of Directors meeting, August 22, 2023 were read and approved on September 26, 2023.



Justin Powell, Secretary