

The Southside Economic Development District met on January 27<sup>th</sup>, 2022, at Fit Time 365 Nutrition located at 701 North 4<sup>th</sup> Street in Monroe, La. 71201.

The meeting began at 6:05 pm and the roll was called by Secretary Marty Campbell.

**Present were**

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| 1. Mr. Little -  | Chairman  |
| 2. Mr. Moore -   | Vice Chairman & Treasurer                               |
| 3. Mr. Campbell- | Secretary   |
| 4. Mr. Gooding - | Chairman of Governmental affairs & Business Development |
| 5. Mr. Jones -   | Commissioner  |
| 6. Mr. Wright-   | Commissioner  |

**Absent were**

Mr. Dhaliwal  
The invocation was given

**Action item 1**

**Resolution:**

A resolution was offered to allow the Chairman, Tony Little to enter into a cooperate endeavor agreement with the State of Louisiana in the amount of \$75,000.00 dollars and to negotiate the terms on behalf of the district.

**Outcome:**

The Motion was carried, and the Resolution was adopted by a unanimous vote of the board.

**Action item 2**

**Resolution**

A resolution to reinstate Mr. Charles Theus as Executive Director was offered by Mr. Marty Campbell. The resolution was stated to bring Mr. Theus back under his current pay of \$45,000 per year and his position of Executive Director.

Mr. Little seconded the motion to reinstate Mr. Theus into his Executive Director's position along with the same amount of pay.

Mr. Wright asked if he would be getting back pay and Mr. Little stated that if he is owed back pay then he shall receive back pay, however he would turn that issue of back pay over to Mrs.



Summersgill for an investigation as to if they removed him properly and because they gave causes if they removed him for proper cause.

**Outcome:**

The motion to reinstate Mr. Theus was approved by the following vote...

1. Mr. Little, yes in favor of reinstatement under the terms of the resolution offered by Mr. Campbell.
2. Mr. Campbell, yes in favor of reinstatement under the terms of the resolution offered by Mr. Campbell.
3. Mr. Godin, yes in favor of reinstatement under the terms of the resolution offered by Mr. Campbell.

**Abstain:**

Mr. Moore

**Nays**

Mr. Wright not in favor because of the TIF timing

Mr. Jones No, not in favor

The motion to reinstate under the resolution offered by Mr. Campbell Mr. Theus carried with 3 yeas' and 2 nays and 1 abstain.

**Action item 3**

**Resolution**

A motion was made to allow Mr. Little to seek an attorney General's opinion was offered and seconded the Motion was passed unanimously.

**Outcome:**

The motion to allow the Chairman to seek an independent Attorney's General Opinion on the matter concerning the limitations if any to spend the Hotel Motel Tax Funds.

The Board received a report from one of the most prestigious members we have the pleasure of serving with, Mr. Tyrone Godin.

1. Mr. Godin clearly laid out the mayors' expectations of the board.
2. Mr. Godin clearly laid out what he expects of each board member.

The board thanked Mr. Godin for his insight and wisdom.



**Action Item 4**

**Resolution**

A resolution was offered to allow the Chairman, Treasurer and Executive Director to hire a \$15 dollar an hour per to help with clerical, administrative and other duties and functions of the administration and board.

The Motion was voted down by the following votes

1. Mr. Little      yea
2. Mr. Godin      nay
3. Mr. Campbell   yea
4. Mr. Jones      nay
5. Mr. wright     nay
6. Mr. Moore      nay

**Outcome:**

**Motion failed**