

MINUTES

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

The Board of Commissioners of the City of Burkburnett, Texas met in a special called joint meeting with the Burkburnett Independent School District and the Burkburnett Development Corporation on Saturday, February 14, 2009 at 1:00 p.m. at the Burkburnett High School Food Court, 109 W. Kramer Road, Burkburnett, Texas. The meeting was open to the public with notice being given in compliance with the Open Meeting Act. The following were present:

Item 1. President Curtis Heptner called the Board of Trustees of the Burkburnett Independent School District to order at 1:00 p.m.

Mayor Carl Law called the Board of Commissioners of the City of Burkburnett to order at 1:01 p.m.

President Danny Cremeens called the Board of Directors of the Burkburnett Development Corporation to order at 1:03 p.m.

BISD President Curtis Heptner, Mayor Carl Law and BDC President Danny Cremeens introduced the members of their boards that were present for the meeting.

The following members were present:

Carla Morrow	Billie Gorham
Billy T. Elder	Billy Darland
Michael Tugman	Charlie McCullough
Darren Broadus	Jim Phillips
Jason Durst	Keith Myers
Ray Ono	Terry Klipp
Charlene Lewis	

Other's present: Danny Taylor, BISD Superintendent; Russell Miller, BISD; Mike Slye, City Manager; Dale Lewis, Director of Administration; Rodney Roberts, Parks & Recreation Director; Kelly Bolen, BDC Director and Jeff Bromley, Burk Informer Star.

Item 2. Danny Taylor, Superintendent of the Burkburnett Independent School District stated there are common concerns of the taxpayers and these boards represent all of those involved. Mr. Taylor further stated that the strategic alliance projects could include capital equipment/shared assets, joint use, project funding and knowledge and expertise. Mr. Taylor stated there had been joint ventures between the school system and the city in the past and those ventures had been successful. Mr. Taylor stated in January, the Burkburnett Development Corporation hosted a Strategic Planning Session, conducted by

Mike Conduff, (President & CEO, The Elim Group-Governance Experts) for public community input. In the session, the group had the opportunity to voice their opinion on the strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats pertaining to Burkburnett.

Mike Slye, City Manager presented an overview of the Strategic Planning Session and possible avenues available to achieve funding for the projects. In closing, Mr. Slye stated the biggest concerns of the groups involved appeared to be the need for a recreation facility and updated High School Athletic facilities.

Kelly Bolen, BDC Director provided the group with a completed draft of the Strategic Planning Session.

Item 3. BISD President Curtis Heptner spoke briefly and questioned whether the attempt at a Capital Improvement bond would be a viable avenue to pursue funding. City Commissioner Bill Elder suggested that a group effort could be sought to combine funding through grant and bond monies. Commissioner Elder further stated that a recreation center would meet the needs of all age groups. City Director of Administration Dale Lewis interjected that the schools support had assisted in securing grant funds in past projects. BISD Superintendent Danny Taylor stated that perhaps there could be a partnership with the school and the municipality park development around the schools. President Heptner stated that the bond for the fine arts center and football stadium failed 2 to 1 in the 2004 election and now there is an added need for a new elementary school facility and an estimated \$30 million in projects for 2010.

Item 4. After further discussion it was decided that a steering committee would be formed consisting of three members from each board. The committee will form a focus group to assess the needs of the community and possible funding for the projects. President Heptner appointed Jason Durst, Billie Gorham and Carla Morrow as representatives for the Burkburnett Independent School District. Mayor Law appointed Charlie McCullough, Bill Elder and Scott Dolan as representatives of the City of Burkburnett and President Cremeens appointed Jerry Johnson, Kelly Bolen and himself as representatives of the Burkburnett Development Corporation. The three boards appointed Jerry Johnson as chair of the committee. The committee will report back to the boards no later than July.

Item 5. There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Carl Law, Mayor

ATTEST:

Trish Holley, City Clerk