

**VERNON CITY COMMISSION  
SPECIAL MEETING  
SEPTEMBER 11, 2013**

Mayor Jeff Bearden called the Special Meeting of the Vernon City Commission to order at 12:00 p.m. in the Commission Chambers, and a quorum was declared present.

Present: Mayor Jeff Bearden

Commissioners: Jimmy Dennis, Russell Brownlow, Travis Taylor and Pat Bryant.

Staff Present: City Manager Mitch Grant, City Prosecutor Jonathan Whitsett, Police Chief Tom Wilson, Finance Director Anne Garmon, and City Secretary Linda Byers.

Mayor Bearden led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. and Texas flags, followed by the invocation.

**RESCIND BDC BOARD APPOINTMENTS**

Commissioner Taylor made the motion to rescind the individual Business Development Corporation Board Appointment of new members.

Commissioner Brownlow seconded the motion. Commissioner Dennis questioned what grounds there was for rescinding the appointment. Commissioner Taylor stated that there was confusion in voting of that appointment and he was not aware of the count. Mayor Bearden noted that procedural rules allow for decisions of a Commission to be reconsidered if the reconsideration is done on the same day, or rescinded after that if the decision is hastily made or if there is confusion, or if a member who voted in the affirmative wants to review the action.

City Prosecutor Whitsett noted that nothing in the BDC Bylaws prohibit reviewing appointments.

The motion passed by a vote of 4-1 with Commissioner Dennis voting against.

**BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION BOARD APPOINTMENT**

Commissioner Brownlow made the motion to reappoint Jim Trafton to the BDC Board.

Commissioner Taylor seconded the motion. Commissioner Dennis asked if appointment would be taken. After discussion about how to handle the motion and other appointments, the motion passed by a vote of 3-2 with Commissioner Dennis and Commissioner Bryant voting against the motion.

**ADJOURN**

Commissioner Brownlow made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 12:06 p.m.

Commissioner Taylor seconded the motion, which passed by unanimous vote.

  
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Jeff Bearden  
Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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Linda Byers  
City Secretary