

The **England Economic and Industrial Development District** met in Regular Session at its regular meeting place, the England Authority Board Room, 1611 Arnold Drive, England Industrial Airpark and Community, Alexandria, Louisiana, on **Thursday, March 26, 1998**, at 4:00 p.m. (Central Standard Time).

There were present: Ms. Bridgett Brown, Vice Chairman, Mr. Tom Fowler, Secretary/Treasurer, Mr. Martin Johnson, Mr. Alvin Mykoff, Mr. Kit Provine, Mr. H. K. Stanley, Mr. Michael Tudor.

Absent: Mr. Gene Cotton, Mr. Lane Cripps, and Mr. Charles Stewart.

Also present were: Mr. Jon Grafton, Executive Director, members of the England Authority staff, Mayor Ned Randolph, City of Alexandria, Mr. Harold Chambers, City of Alexandria, legal counsel, press and media.

Mr. Tudor asked that we observe a few moments of silent prayer. Ms. Brown led the Pledge of Allegiance.

In the absence of Mr. Gene Cotton, Chairman the England Economic and Industrial Development District was duly convened as the governing authority of said District by **Ms. Bridgett Brown, Vice Chairman** who then stated that the England Economic and Industrial Development District was ready for the transaction of business.

MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES

Motion by **Mr. Johnson**, seconded by **Mr. Fowler** to approve Minutes from the February 26, 1998 Regular Board Meeting. On vote, motion carried. **30-1998**

APPROVE PAYMENT OF ATTORNEY'S BILL

Motion by **Ms. Brown**, seconded by **Mr. Tudor** to approve payment of attorney's bill for the month of February, 1998. On vote, motion carried. **31-1998**

MOTION TO APPROVE DBE POLICY

Motion by **Mr. Tudor**, seconded by **Mr. Fowler** to approve DBE Policy as presented by staff and take appropriate action thereon. On vote, motion carried. **32-1998**

MOTION TO ADOPT BUDGET AMENDMENT

Motion by **Mr. Fowler**, seconded by **Mr. Johnson** to adopt budget amendment #3 to Fiscal Year 1997/1998 General Fund and Capital Projects Fund. On vote, motion carried. **33-1998**

MOTION TO RATIFY INTERIM USE AGREEMENT BETWEEN PRIDE INTERNATIONAL

Motion by **Mr. Johnson**, seconded by **Mr. Tudor** to ratify Interim Use Agreement between Pride International, LLC and EEIDD for building 214. On vote, motion carried. **34-1998**

MOTION TO AUTHORIZE LEASE WITH MR. RICK BERLIN

Motion by **Mr. Fowler**, seconded by **Mr. Tudor** to authorize Executive Director to execute lease agreement between Mr. Rick Berlin and EEIDD for space in building 2543. On vote, motion carried. **35-1998**

MOTION TO SUPPORT PROPOSAL L FOR THE O.K. ALLEN BRIDGE REPLACEMENT PROJECT

Motion by **Mr. Johnson**, seconded by **Mr. Fowler** to support Proposal L for the O.K. Allen bridge replacement project and requesting LA DOTD to support and fund said proposal. After discussion and explanation by Mayor Randolph, the Vice Chairman called for a vote. On vote, motion carried. **36-1998**

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

Motion by **Mr. Fowler**, seconded by **Mr. Johnson** to add the following item to the agenda.

1. Motion to authorize Executive Director to execute Lease Amendment #3 between England Jet Center and the EEIDD to provide for the fixing of fuel flowage fees.
2. Motion to authorize Executive Director to execute renewal for Work Training Facility North labor contract.
3. Motion to hear from Mayor Ned Randolph, City of Alexandria.

The Chairman called for a vote. There being no opposition, the above items were added to the agenda.

MOTION TO EXECUTE LEASE AMENDMENT #3 WITH ENGLAND JET CENTER

Motion by **Mr. Fowler**, seconded by **Mr. Johnson** to execute Lease Amendment #3 between England Jet Center and the EEIDD to provide for the fixing of fuel flowage fees. On vote, motion carried. **37-1998**

MOTION TO RENEW CONTRACT WITH WORK TRAINING FACILITY NORTH

Motion by **Mr. Johnson**, seconded by **Mr. Tudor** to authorize Executive Director to execute renewal for Work Training Facility North labor contract. On vote, motion carried. **38-1998**

At this time the **Ms. Brown**, Vice Chairman recognized Mayor Ned Randolph, City of Alexandria. Mayor Randolph read a letter addressed to the Chairman and Members of the England Authority concerning the City of Alexandria's proposal to enter into a joint service agreement with the England Authority to build and operate an 18-hole municipal golf course. After discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Fowler, seconded by Mr. Johnson to add the following motion to the agenda: Motion to forward letter from City of Alexandria to the Capital Projects Committee. On vote, the above was added to the agenda.

**MOTION TO FORWARD LETTER FROM CITY OF ALEXANDRIA TO THE CAPITAL
PROJECTS COMMITTEE**

Motion by **Mr. Tudor**, seconded by **Ms. Brown** to forward letter from City of Alexandria to the Capital Projects Committee. On vote, motion carried. **39-1998**

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

The Executive Director and Senior Staff of the Authority presented their monthly Activity, Financial, Operations and Economic Development reports to the Board.

There being no further business before the board, the meeting was adjourned.

Gene Cotton, Chairman

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Tom Fowler, Secretary-Treasurer

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