

Executive Director Report

SEDC did not have a quorum for the monthly meeting.

Sign at the industrial park completed.

Met with a company to discuss a possible Opportunity Zone letter for them. They are out of city limits and city's ETJ.

Exchanged emails with Stephanie with Government Capital to get EDC's loan capabilities.

The Board of Commissions and Council will meet before the next council meeting to discuss the rezone of the industrial park.

Met with JC Burks, he represents the company that purchased the tract of buildings where Sweeny Family Dental is. They also own the Family Dollar building. JC Burks, stated that there is a possibility that Family Dollar will not renew their lease.

Met with Elvira Alvarez and Victor Barcot Jr. they are moving forward with a getting drawings etc. to open a Mexican Restaurant at 123 Main Street. Victor /Elvira Alvarez – made a \$3,025 payment towards the \$8,325 balance on her defaulted loan. Leaving a balance of \$5,300.

Our sales tax check for the month of June \$17,808.51.

We currently have 20 vendors for the Farmers' Market. 1 with some fruit and vegetables.

Last week ordered entrance signs.

Equipment Share permits are in the works; drawings have been submitted and work out for bids.

Trilogy was pouring concrete next week.

Farmers' Market was good. 27 vendors and everyone is excited to come back. Met Kraus Family Farms they are interested in discussing a store front.

This week:

BC Hispanic Chamber of Commerce would like the City of Sweeny and Sweeny EDC to host a booth at their Keys to Connections Expo, August 4th from 10 am to

12 pm, free with the city's membership. They would like us to provide information about Sweeny and the EDC.

Vange of Wells Florist reached out to the EDC looking for a Facade Improvement Grant. I explained to her that they are not located in the city limits nor the city's ETJ. But I did refer her to the Small Business Development Center and gave her information about USA Funding online.

I registered for a zoom roundtable Bringing Back Main Street.

The next Farmers' Market will be on July 24th from 4 pm to 7:30 pm. The one in August is scheduled for August 22nd from 3 pm to 7 pm. We are already out growing the community center for indoor vendors.

Last but not least - I have completed 10 years with the Sweeny EDC.

This week I have worked on the budget and agenda for next week's budget.

Met with Kraus Family Farms to discuss a store front in Sweeny. I also showed them the buildings we had available here in Sweeny. They will get back to us in a week or so.

I will be attending the Alliance Industry Update on July 29th.