

Regular Meeting – Giddings Hotel Occupancy Tax Advisory Board
August 8, 2017

1. Call to Order

Vice Chairman Pratik Bhakta called the meeting to order at 12:03 p.m. with the following present:

Present: Board Members Gayle Hargis, Pratik Bhakta, Faye Terry, Dustin Gersch, Economic Development Corporation Director Tonya Britton, and City Manager Ricky Jorgensen; and City Secretary Lola Hazel.

Absent: Board Member Missy Morse

2. Consider approval of minutes from meeting held on August 9, 2016.

A motion was made by Board Member Faye Terry and seconded by Board Member Dustin Gersch to approve the minutes from the meeting held on August 9, 2016.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Board Members Bhakta, Terry, Gersch, and Hargis

Nays: None

3. Discussion and possible action on appointments of Board Chairperson and Vice Chairperson.

A motion was made by Board Member Gayle Hargis and seconded by Board Member Dustin Gersch to appoint Pratik Bhakta as Chairman and Faye Terry as Vice Chairman.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Board Members Bhakta, Terry, Gersch, and Hargis

Nays: None

4. Review, discuss and possibly take action on requests for hotel tax funds.

Giddings Area Chamber of Commerce representatives Denice Harlan and Kelita Alberts made a presentation to the Board and answered questions. Request: \$90,000.00.

Lee County Sheriff's Posse representative Mark Goodson made a presentation to the Board and answered questions. Request: \$65,000.00.

Texas Wendish Heritage Society representative Joyce Bise made a presentation to the Board and answered questions. Request: \$15,000.00.

A motion was made by Board Member Dustin Gersch and seconded by Board Member Gayle Hargis to distribute the following amounts:

Giddings Area Chamber of Commerce:	\$ 65,000.00
Lee County Sheriff's Posse:	\$ 47,500.00
Texas Wendish Heritage Society:	\$ 7,500.00

Motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Board Members Bhakta, Gersch, and Hargis

Nays: Board Member Faye Terry

5. Adjournment

Chairman Bhakta adjourned the meeting at 1:16 p.m.

ATTEST:

PRATIK BHAJTA
Board Chairperson Printed Name

Pratik Bhakta
Board Chairperson Signature

Andrea Ray
Andrea Ray, City Secretary