



DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY OF MONROE COUNTY

10 West Chambers Street

Regular Board Meeting

February 11, 2020, at 8:30 a.m.

Minutes

The Development Authority of Monroe County (“the Authority”) regular board meeting was held at 10 West Chambers Street, Forsyth, Georgia on February 2020 at 8:30a.m. Notice of the time, place and purpose of said meeting was duly given to all Authority members and to the public, as provided in the Authority by-laws and by law.

The meeting was open to the public.

Development Authority Board members present were: Tom Baugh-Chairman, Otis Ingram-Vice Chairman, Larry Evans-Secretary/Treasurer, Greg Head-Assistant Secretary/Treasurer, Directors-Wendell Horne, Craig Craddock, Jim Cole, Phil Ham, Michael Leverett and Bob Harris-Attorney. Staff present were: Bo Gregory-President and Brandy Boynton-Executive Assistant.

Meeting Called to Order

Chairman Tom Baugh called the meeting to order at 8:31 a.m. and declared there was a quorum.

Review and Approval of Agenda

Chairman Tom Baugh called for a motion to approve the agenda. Mr. Phil Ham made a motion to approve the agenda. Mr. Craig Craddock seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Review and Approval of Minutes

Chairman Tom Baugh called for a motion to approve the minutes from last month’s meeting. Mr. Craig Craddock made a motion to approve the minutes from last month’s meeting. Mr. Phil Ham seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Review and Approval of Financials

Chairman Tom Baugh called for a motion to approve the financials. Mr. Otis Ingram made a motion to approve the financials. Mr. Greg Head seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

New Business

Mr. Gregory informed the board that Rebecca Smart has been hired as new administrative personnel for the Chamber of Commerce and DAOMC. Simonia Blassingame is the new President/CEO for the Chamber of Commerce.

Old Business

Mr. Bo Gregory stated that he has had several conversations with Tim Golden/DOT and Michael Pressley, Regional Engineer. Mr. Gregory will attend the DOT's February Board Meeting and has a meeting planned with Tim and Michael on March 17th at the DAOMC offices.

Five Below has turned in the Community Investment letter on time and Encore will be sending theirs before the March deadline.

Don Carter has completed the estimate for the road extension to just over Little Deer Creek in the OPC Property: \$2.6M including sewer, water, etc.

Tushar Patel sent a formal letter to Mr. Gregory/DAOMC requesting an extension and explaining why his project was not completed by 12.31.19. The two main reasons stated were the weather and soil contamination. Mr. Wendell Horne made a motion to approve sending an extension letter granting a six-month extension pursuant to Mr. Patel's request. Mr. Larry Evans seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

President's Report

Mr. Bo Gregory informed the Board of his recent visits and meetings which included the following: MEGA Works Board Meeting-HDCI program, the Global Trade and Investment Symposium which included Japans consul general in Atlanta, the head of Georgia's Center of Innovation for Aerospace, exporter Pain Care Labs and Canadian manufacturer Irving Tissue. Mr. Gregory attended the GEDA breakfast and spoke with Kennedy, Dickey and Holmes regarding the roundabout project. He attended the I-75 CVL, MEGA Works shareholders meeting along with Mr. Greg Head and also visited Jones County C&CA with Monroe County BOE members. There were two full days spent interviewing to place a new assistant.

Mr. Gregory met with the following companies inside of Monroe County: Five Below, Prim Industrial Contractors, Vulcan Material Company and Specialty Power Windows. He met with the following individuals outside of Monroe County: Kevin Dodson, Hank Evans, Candice Scott and Justin Strickland with GEDA, Ricky McGee and Shaun Dotson with GA EMC and Will Gardner/Chance Raehn with Chesterfield Development.

Executive Session

Started 8:50 a.m. Motion to begin executive session made by Mr. Otis Ingram. Mr. Wendell Horne seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Ended 9:04 a.m. Motion to exit executive session made by Mr. Otis Ingram. Mr. Wendell Horne seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Other Business

No other business discussed.

Adjournment

Chairman Tom Baugh called for a motion to adjourn at 9:11 a.m. Mr. Jim Cole made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Michael Leverett seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted:

Brandy Bankston-Boynton