

Board Meeting Minutes
January 19, 2022
31 West Doyle Street, Toccoa, GA

Attending: James Addison, Brian Akin, Jeanette Jamieson, Savonda Turner, Chuck Wright, Janney Sanders, Julie Paysen and Brittany Ivey.

Chairman Brian Akin called the meeting to order at 7:39 a.m.

Mr. Sanders led us in prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Chairman Akin read the confidentiality & conflict of interest statement.

Akin asked for a motion to approve the agenda. [Jamieson:Wright]. All in favor; none opposed.

Motion was made to approve the December 15, 2021 Board Meeting Minutes, [Wright:Turner]. All in favor; none opposed.

Motion was made to approve the December financials as presented, [Turner:Addison]. All in favor; none opposed.

Board Action Items:

Chairman Akin welcomed new board members and opened the floor for nominations for officer positions. A motion was made to nominate Akin as board Chairman, [Wright:Jamieson]. All in favor; none opposed.

A motion was made to name Mayor Jeanette Jamieson Vice Chair, [Addison:Wright]. All in favor; none opposed.

A motion was made nominating Chuck Wright as board treasurer, [Jamieson:Turner]. All in favor; none opposed.

A motion was made to name Savonda Turner board secretary, [Addison:Wright]. All in favor; none opposed.

The board consensus was that the meeting time and date will stay on the third Wednesday of the month at 7:30 a.m.

The board discussed what we would do with any excess office furniture we would not need in the new building. We will return anything from the County to the County and Mr. Sanders will confirm that we can sell any other items for a commercially reasonable price. We shared an estimate for the replacement of the sign in front of the new building. The estimated cost to remove Lee Hicks sign and replace with ours is \$181.72. Jaymarz will be making the new sign.

Program Updates/Reports:

Attraction: President Ivey shared a list with a brief description of the 10 active projects we are working for the new members. She shared that we would have a site visit on Wednesday, February 15 with Project Castle.

Existing: Ivey shared that Proline Supply is the new owner of the Frutarom Building and Mountain Sweet Honey is in the process of securing a lease on Proline's previous building. Sark Wire & Dewtex are making plans for expansions.

Marketing: Ivey shared SCDA's ad for the new Chamber Map Ads and the new maps we had done of all of HBPP.

President's Report: Ivey shared that NGTC would be touring five of our local industries on Monday.

Input for Others: Julie Paysen reported that the Pre-Legislative Coffee had a good turnout. She also said that on April 18th *The Mulligan*, the latest movie filmed in Toccoa, premiere will go nationwide. The Chamber hopes to have a red-carpet premiere in Toccoa. The annual Chamber Awards Ceremony has been postponed until Spring.

Executive Session:

A motion was made at 8:22 a.m. to enter Executive Session [Jamieson:Addison] All in favor; none opposed.

A motion was made to exit Executive Session at 8:43a.m., [Jamieson:Wright]. All in favor; none opposed.

Submitted By:

Attested By:

Brian Akin, Chairman

Brittany W. Ivey, President