

Board Meeting Minutes  
October 19, 2022  
20 Doyle Street, Toccoa, GA

Attending: James Addison, Brian Akin, Jeanette Jamieson, Savonda Turner, Jay Green, Christian Hamilton, Janney Sanders, Julie Paysen, Brittany Ivey and Lois Hylton

Chairman Akin called the meeting to order at 7:30 a.m.

Sanders opened with prayer. Akin led the Pledge of Allegiance and read the confidentiality & conflict of interest statement.

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

Motion was made to approve the September 21, 2022 Board Meeting Minutes, [Jamieson:Addison]. All in favor; none opposed.

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

**Board Action Items:**

Jay Green presented the FY 21-22 finalized audit and reported a clean audit. A motion was made to approve the audit as presented, [Turner:Addison]. All in favor, none opposed.

**Program Updates/Reports:**

Attraction: Project Max Ten is a new project looking for 40-50 acres with rail access. Project Next is still considering locations. Project Power is waiting on the County Commission's vote on their conditional use permit before they close. Existing: Ivey reported that MagnaFlow, with locations in Lavonia and Toccoa, will be closing effective December 31 with their operations consolidating in California. SCDA and Franklin County's IDA has offered to host a job fair for employees. Product Development: We will be attending DCA's check ceremony for the OneGeorgia grant we received. We have signed Carter & Sloope's contract for their work and they are beginning surveys and initial work now.

**President's Report:**

Existing Industry: The next industry lunch & learn is scheduled for November 17<sup>th</sup>. Jordie Black from Congressman Clyde's office, a representative from Representative Erwin's office and the DOL will be our panel speakers.

Workforce Development: A Discovery Tour for our educators will take place on March 1. We want our educators to see what opportunities are available for our students in our community. Ivey mentioned the articles included in the board packet.

**Input from Others:**

Paysen reported that we had great community effort on the successful 30<sup>th</sup> Chamber Chicken Que. The Christmas parade is December 3 at 10 a.m. Addison reported that the County's Election Registrar resigned and welcomed Christian Hamilton as the new County Administrator.

A motion was made to enter Executive Session at 8:09 a.m. to discuss the future acquisition, sale or lease of real estate as provided by O.C.G.A. 50-14-3 (4). [Jamieson:Addison]. All in favor; none opposed.

A motion was made to adjourn Executive Session at 8:32 a.m. [Jamieson:Turner]. All in favor; none opposed.

A motion was made to adjourn at 8:33 a.m. [Jamieson:Turner]. All in favor; none opposed.

Submitted By:

Attested By:

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Brian Akin, Chairman

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Brittany W. Ivey, President