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## Minutes

**Monday, April 8, 2019 ♦ 9:00 AM**

*Putnam County Administration Building – Room 204*

The Putnam Development Authority met on Monday, April 8, 2019 at approximately 9:00 AM in the Putnam County Administration Building, 117 Putnam Drive, Room 204, Eatonton, Georgia

### *PRESENT*

Chairman Ed Waggoner  
Member Patty Burns  
Member Walt Rocker III  
Member Eugene Smith

### *OTHERS PRESENT*

Attorney Kevin Brown  
Economic Development Director Terry Schwindler  
County Clerk Lynn Butterworth

### **Opening**

#### 1. Call to Order

Chairman Waggoner called the meeting to order at approximately 9:02 a.m.  
(Copy of agenda made a part of the minutes.)

### **Minutes**

#### 2. Approval of Minutes

- a. March 11, 2019 Regular Meeting
- b. March 11, 2019 Executive Session

**Motion to approve the minutes of the March 11, 2019 Regular Meeting**

**Motion made by Member Rocker, Seconded by Member Smith.**

**Voting Yea: Member Burns, Member Smith, Member Rocker**

**Motion to approve the minutes of the March 11, 2019 Executive Session**

**Motion made by Member Smith, Seconded by Member Rocker.**

**Voting Yea: Member Burns, Member Smith, Member Rocker**

## **Financials**

3. Approval of Financials - March 2019

**Motion to approve the March 2019 Financials.**

**Motion made by Member Burns, Seconded by Member Smith.**

**Voting Yea: Member Burns, Member Smith, Member Rocker**

(Copy of financials made a part of the minutes)

## **Reports**

4. Economic Development Director Report - April 2019

EDD Schwindler reported the following: (copy of report made a part of the minutes)

- Website visitor sessions and pages viewed per session
- Website analytics
- Project status - 6 projects added
- Projects by Industry - 6 commercial/retail
- Project source – 3 existing industry, 3 local referrals
- Business & Industry contacts - 23 MTD, 75 YTD
- Social media - 379 likes on Facebook, 45 followers on LinkedIn, 179 followers on Instagram, 27 followers on Twitter
- Company located – Ruffin Flag Company, 995 Lake Oconee Parkway
- Company located – Lakeview Senior Gardens – 400 Mallard Drive
- Company located – Clothed N Majesty – 117 S Jefferson Avenue
- Company relocated – Hickory Hill Pet Food & Supplies – 113 Harmony Crossing, #7
- Company relocated & expanded – Justin’s Tire & Auto – 870 Harmony Road – 7 bays/lifts, 6 FTE
- Company relocated – Cash Painting – 864 Harmony Road
- PCHS will be adding a construction pathway this August
- Bluestem donated old PCs to PCCSS
- Cosmo currently has 25 FTE and will be up to 32 FTE by late May
- South Industrial Park Update – clearing is underway
- Company updates – Lake Country Storage – clearing land to add new storage facilities on Sammons Parkway
- Events attended and upcoming events
- Wing MAXX ground breaking – 100 Scott Road at Highway 44

Member Rocker added that the Milledgeville-Eatonton Film Festival opens on March 23, 2019 at The Plaza Arts Center; they will be showing the film “83 days.”

## **Regular Business**

5. Appointments (2) to the Central Georgia Joint Development Authority

Chairman Waggoner advised that two PDA members are needed to fill vacant positions on the Central Georgia Joint Development Authority. Members Burns and Rocker volunteered to fill those vacancies. These appointments will need to be confirmed by the Board of Commissioners.

## **Other Business**

### 6. Other Business

Member Burns asked if the Safe Deposit box key could be kept here in the EDD office, since she is frequently out of the county. There were no objections.

Member Rocker advised that there is an item on the City of Eatonton Planning & Zoning Commission agenda tonight concerning a conditional use permit for a solar farm at 120 Stribling Street. He is of the opinion that the property could be put to better use.

**Motion to authorize EDD Schwindler to attend the meeting and state the position of board, which is opposition of the solar farm use at this particular location.**

**Motion made by Member Rocker, Seconded by Member Smith.**

**Voting Yea: Member Burns, Member Smith, Member Rocker**

## **Next Meeting Items**

### 7. Next Meeting Items

None

## **Executive Session**

8. Motion to enter Executive Session as allowed by O.C.G.A. 50-14-4, if necessary, for Personnel, Litigation, or Real Estate

**Motion to enter Executive Session for real estate purposes.**

**Motion made by Member Rocker, Seconded by Member Burns.**

**Voting Yea: Member Burns, Member Smith, Member Rocker**

Meeting closed at approximately 9:28 a.m.

9. Motion to reopen meeting and execute Affidavit concerning the subject matter of the closed portion of the meeting

**Motion to reopen the meeting and execute the Affidavit concerning the subject matter of the closed portion of the meeting.**

**Motion made by Member Smith, Seconded by Member Burns.**

**Voting Yea: Member Burns, Member Smith, Member Rocker**

Meeting reopened at approximately 9:38 a.m.

10. Action, if any, resulting from the Executive Session

**Motion to proceed as discussed in Executive Session.**

**Motion made by Member Rocker, Seconded by Member Burns.**

**Voting Yea: Member Burns, Member Smith, Member Rocker**

**Closing**

11. Adjournment

**Motion to adjourn the meeting.**

**Motion made by Member Smith, Seconded by Member Burns.**

**Voting Yea: Member Burns, Member Smith, Member Rocker**

Meeting adjourned at approximately 9:41 a.m.

ATTEST:

Lynn Butterworth  
County Clerk

Ed Waggoner  
Chairman