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Minutes
Tuesday, June 13, 2023 ◊ 1:30 PM
107 S. Jefferson Avenue, Eatonton, GA 31024

The Putnam Development Authority met on Tuesday, June 13, 2023 at approximately 1:30 PM in the Putnam Development Authority Office, 107 S. Jefferson Avenue, Eatonton, Georgia.

PRESENT

Chairman Walt Rocker III
Member Patty Burns
Member Brice Doolittle
Member Mylle Mangum

ABSENT

Member John Wojtas

OTHERS PRESENT

Attorney Kevin Brown
Economic Development Director Matt Poyner
County Clerk Lynn Butterworth

Opening

1. Call to Order

Chairman Rocker called the meeting to order at approximately 1:40 p.m.

He welcomed Mr. Mickey Daniel, Georgia Power Regional Community Development Manager and advised that Member Wojtas had a family emergency might not be able to attend.

(Copy of agenda made a part of the minutes.)

Minutes

2. Approval of Minutes

- a. May 9, 2023 Regular Meeting
- b. May 9, 2023 Executive Session

Motion to approve the May 9, 2023 Regular Meeting and Executive Session minutes.

Motion made by Member Mangum, Seconded by Member Burns.

Voting Yea: Chairman Rocker, Member Burns, Member Doolittle, Member Mangum

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Financials

3. Approval of Financials - May 2023

Member Burns reviewed the financials.

Motion to approve the May 2023 Financials.

Motion made by Member Mangum, Seconded by Member Doolittle.

Voting Yea: Chairman Rocker, Member Burns, Member Doolittle, Member Mangum

(Copy of financials made a part of the minutes.)

Reports

4. Economic Development Director Report

Executive Director Matt Poyner reported the following:

(Copy of report made a part of the minutes.)

- Administrative
 - Georgia’s Rural Workforce Housing Initiative
 - Budget
 - “Make My Move”
 - Insurance
- Business & Industry Company Contacts
 - Existing Industry Updates
 - Planning to start a new program in the fall – BREP (Business Retention-Expansion Program)
- Workforce Development
 - Apprenticeship Opportunity
- Marketing & Branding
 - Tytan Pictures
- Project Status
 - Project Activity
- Rock Eagle Technology Park
 - Miscellaneous
- South Industrial Park
 - 121 acre tract

Regular Business

5. FY24 Proposed Budget

Executive Director Poyner distributed copies of the proposed budget for FY24. Members discussed adding money to the budget for cleanup of the eight acre South Industrial Park site.

Motion to approve the FY24 budget at \$245,000 for the general budget and up to \$250,000 for capital improvements.

Motion made by Member Mangum, Seconded by Member Burns.

Voting Yea: Chairman Rocker, Member Burns, Member Doolittle, Member Mangum

(Copy of proposed budget made a part of the minutes.)

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Other Business

6. Other Business

Executive Director Poyner commented that he would like to organize another work session like the one done in November 2021 at Cuscowilla where various county stakeholders joined the board for strategic discussions. He asked Mr. Daniel if could facilitate the meeting. No action taken.

Next Meeting Items

7. Next Meeting Items

None

Executive Session

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

Executive Session not needed.

9. Reopen meeting and execute Affidavit concerning the subject matter of the closed portion of the meeting

Executive Session not held.

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

Executive Session not held.

Closing

11. Adjournment

Chairman Rocker adjourned the meeting at approximately 2:50 p.m.

ATTEST:

Lynn Butterworth
County Clerk

Walt Rocker III
Chairman

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