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Minutes
Tuesday, December 13, 2022 ♦ 3:30 PM
Putnam County Administration Building – Room 204

The Putnam Development Authority met on Tuesday, December 13, 2022 at approximately 3:30 PM in the Putnam County Administration Building, 117 Putnam Drive, Room 204, Eatonton, Georgia.

PRESENT

Chairman Walt Rocker III
Member Patty Burns
Member Brice Doolittle
Member Mylle Mangum (arrived late)
Member John Wojtas

STAFF PRESENT

Attorney Kevin Brown
Executive Director Matt Poyner
County Clerk Lynn Butterworth

Opening

1. Call to Order

Chairman Rocker called the meeting to order at approximately 3:30 p.m.
(Copy of agenda made a part of the minutes.)

Minutes

2. Approval of Minutes

- a. November 8, 2022 Regular Meeting
- b. November 8, 2022 Executive Session

Motion to approve the November 8, 2022 Regular Meeting and Executive Session Minutes.

Motion made by Member Doolittle, Seconded by Member Burns.

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

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Financials

3. Approval of Financials - November 2022

Member Burns reviewed the November 2022 financials.

Motion to approve the November 2022 Financials.

Motion made by Member Wojtas, Seconded by Member Doolittle.

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

(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
 - Retail Development
 - National Association of Counties
 - Audit
- Business & Industry Company Contacts
 - Existing Industry Updates
- Workforce Development
 - Putnam County High School
- Marketing & Branding
 - Goebel Media
- Project Status
 - Project Activity
- Strategic Planning Retreat – 2022 Goals
 - Website/Marketing
 - Industrial Park
 - Workforce Engagement
 - Existing Industry
 - Property Acquisition
- Rock Eagle Technology Park
 - GDOT
- South Industrial Park
 - Existing Entry Sign

Regular Business

5. Approval of 2023 PDA Meeting Schedule

Motion to approve the 2023 PDA Meeting Schedule for the second Tuesday of each month at 1 p.m.

Motion made by Member Doolittle, Seconded by Member Mangum.

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

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

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6. Bid Opening/Presentations

The Request for Proposals for the Historic Eatonton Hotel resulted in one bid. Attorney Brown opened the bid from The Drew Company and advised that it appeared that all requirements were submitted. Representatives from The Drew Company talked a little about their company and reviewed highlights of the proposal. Attorney Brown and Executive Director Poyner will review the proposal and score it. No action was taken.

Other Business

7. Other Business

None

Next Meeting Items

8. Next Meeting Items

None

Executive Session

9. 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 as allowed by O.C.G.A. 50-14-4 for Real Estate and Personnel.

Motion made by Member Doolittle, Seconded by Member Mangum.

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

Meeting closed at approximately 4:40 p.m.

10. 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 Doolittle, Seconded by Member Burns.

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

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

Meeting reopened at approximately 5:10 p.m.

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

No action

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Closing

12. Adjournment

Chairman Rocker adjourned the meeting at approximately 5:11 p.m.

ATTEST:

Lynn Butterworth
County Clerk

Walt Rocker III
Chairman

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