



**MINUTES – January 5, 2021 at 9:00 AM  
Large Board Room**

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

WAYNE JOHNSON, ZOOM  
JACK KILGORE  
JONES HOOKS  
BILL AUSTIN  
CHRISTY JORDAN

**BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT**

**OTHERS PRESENT**

RYAN MOORE, STAFF  
VANESSA WAGNER, STAFF  
JOAN HEARN, STAFF  
SHERRI PRUITT, STAFF  
REES SUMERFORD, COUNSEL  
BILL BRUNSON, COUNTY COMMISSIONER  
DYLAN LUKITSCH, DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY  
BEN LEE, COASTAL CPA  
GORDAN JACKSON VIA ZOOM, THE BRUNSWICK NEWS  
LORI PEACOCK, GOLDEN ISLES COLLEGE & CAREER ACADEMY  
PETE SNELL VIA ZOOM, COASTAL PINE  
JASON COLEY, GEORGIA POWER  
ROB BURR, GCAC  
TERRA WINSLETT VIA ZOOM, GCAC

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Vice Chairman Jack Kilgore called the meeting to order at 9:00am.

**II. INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Bill Austin gave invocation and Vice Chairman Jack Kilgore began pledge of allegiance.

**III. WELCOME & PUBLIC COMMENT**

Vice Chairman Jack Kilgore welcomed guests and invited public comments. No public comments were requested.

**IV. ACCEPT AGENDA**

A MOTION was made by Bill Austin, seconded by Christy Jordan, and passed unanimously to accept the agenda as presented. The MOTION carried unanimously: 5-0.

**V. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES**

A MOTION was made by Jones Hooks and seconded by Bill Austin to approve the November 3, 2020 Meeting Minutes as presented. The MOTION carried unanimously: 5-0.

A MOTION was made by Jones Hooks and seconded by Bill Austin to approve the December 9, 2020 Called Meeting Minutes as presented. The MOTION carried unanimously: 5-0.

**VI. CHAIRMAN ITEMS**

Chairman Wayne Johnson reported that the Board is moving to 1 year terms for officers and Jones Hooks and Wayne Johnson will spearhead the nominating committee to be presented in the February meeting.

**VII. FINANCIALS**

• **Approve October and November Financials – Joan Hearn**

A MOTION was made by Bill Austin and seconded by Jones Hooks to approve the October and November financials as presented. The MOTION carried unanimously: 5-0.

• **Approve Annual Audit – Ben Lee, Coastal CPA**

A MOTION was made by Jones Hooks and seconded by Christy Jordan to approve the Annual Audit as presented. The MOTION carried unanimously: 5-0.

**VIII. NEW BUSINESS**

• **Share the Future Grants**

Southern Ballistic Research, LLC Innovation Grant

A MOTION was made by Bill Austin and seconded by Christy Jordan to approve the Innovation Grant in the amount of \$10,000 as presented. The MOTION carried unanimously: 5-0.

**IX. UPDATES**

**President's Informational Items:**

**New Business Attraction**

• **Project Update**

Ryan Moore reported that the Authority has remained constant with projects and more to come.

• **Commissioner Pat Wilson Update**

Ryan Moore reported that staff, all incoming commissioners, current commissioners and two board members were in attendance. Pat Wilson and his top team discussed economic development in the state as well as locally. Very successful meeting with a great direction on where to go from here.

• **Sporting and Muniton Event**

Ryan Moore reported that the Sporting and Muniton called to request assistance organizing a video on the beach for marketing purposes. Eight different manufacturers were involved in shooting eight different commercials. Ryan Moore called JIA and DNR to

help with the process and they were very accommodating and made sure all permitting was handled and expedited. More to come.

- **Upcoming Georgia Allies Annual Update**

Ryan Moore reported the Authority will be participating in the upcoming Georgia Allies Annual Update virtually this year. Georgia Allies is a marketing arm of Georgia Economic Development.

### **Product Development**

- **Airport Master Plan**

Ryan Moore reported on engineering need for the northside of airport. To proceed with the development plan for the non-aeronautical portion of the land to have it GRAD certified engineering will need to see what portion can be developed and what is wetland. The cost will be \$3,000-\$4,000. More to come.

### **Existing Industries**

- **Community Leader Round Table**

Sherri Pruitt reported that the kickoff for the Community Leader Round Table was well attended with each organization giving a snapshot of the current condition and where we are heading with a Q & A wrapping up the meeting. This will be a quarterly event.

- **Upcoming Hub Zone Workshop – hosted by SBDC**

Ryan Moore reported that Federal Opportunity Zone Workshop will be held on Thursday of this week. The Hub Zone is a geographic area where you can locate your business with a requirement of a third of the workforce from the area giving you preferential treatment for federal contracts. The first workshop will be held virtually on January 21<sup>st</sup> at 10am and hosted by the SBDC. More to come.

### **Marketing**

- **Manufacturing Videos**

Vanessa Wagner gave an overview of the Authority's upcoming manufacturing video marketing campaign that will highlight stories of local manufacturing companies and/or manufacturing job opportunities in Glynn County.

### **Workforce Development**

- **Workforce Strategic Update**

Ryan Moore reported that the Authority has received the draft of the Workforce Strategy and will be reviewing it with Ralph Staffins with the Chamber for edits. The next step will be to take the document and implement the changes with the community. More to come.

- **Keep Glynn Running**

- **Upcoming – This Girl Can**

Vanessa Wager reported on the This Girl Can opportunity that Lori Peacock with GICCA brought from her previous community that provides an opportunity for female students to help determine their career paths. It will be a workshop introducing

various professionals from our community as well as a welding project they will complete. The Authority will be sponsoring the event with Gulfstream being one of the companies participating. More to come.

○ **Upcoming – Communities In Schools**

Vanessa Wager reported that the Authority will be hosting an appreciation lunch for our educators of the Communities in School and to share opportunities in our local manufacturing companies.

**X. IMPORTANT DATES**

- Development Authority Board Meeting–February 2<sup>nd</sup>, Large Board Room, Tuesday at 9am.
- One Million Cups – February 3<sup>rd</sup>, Topsy McSway’s, Wednesday at 9am

**XI. CLOSED SESSION**

Closed Session - Real Estate OCGA Section §50-14-3(b)(1)(B)

Closed Session – Pending or Potential Litigation OCGA Section §50-14-2

Closed Session – Personnel OCGA Section §50-14-2(b)(2)

A **MOTION** was made by Christy Jordan and seconded by Bill Austin to enter into Closed Session to discuss Real Estate, Pending or Potential Litigation and Personnel. The **MOTION** carried unanimously: 5-0.

A **MOTION** to was made by Jones Hooks and seconded by Bill Austin to return to Open Session. The **MOTION** carried unanimously: 5-0.

## Returned to Open Session

**XII. ADJOURN**

A **MOTION** to adjourn was made by Bill Austin and seconded by Jones Hooks. The **MOTION** carried unanimously: 5-0. The meeting adjourned at 11:00am.

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Vice Chairman Jack Kilgore

Attest:

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Sherri Pruitt  
BRE Coordinator/ Golden Isles Development Authority