

# MINUTES – October 5,2021 at 9:00 AM Coastal Pine Technical College Room 1165

# **BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

JACK KILGORE BILL AUSTIN CHRISTY JORDAN WAYNE JOHNSON

# **BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT**

JONES HOOKS

## **OTHERS PRESENT**

RYAN MOORE, STAFF VIA ZOOM VANESSA WAGNER, STAFF JOAN HEARN, STAFF SHERRI PRUITT, STAFF **REES SUMERFORD, COUNSEL** PETE SNELL, COASTAL PINES PASTOR CARL BROWN, JR. - MT. OLIVE MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH **ROB BURR, GCAC** MATHEW HILL, DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY DYLAN LUKITSCH, DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY MONICA HARDIN, GLYNN COUNTY JENNIFER FORDHAM, DCA MICHAEL KOZLAREK, KOZLAREK LAW, ZOOM BILL BRUNSON, GLYNN COUNTY, ZOOM **REGINA McDUFFIE, CITY OF BRUNSWICK, ZOOM** SAMANTHA TURNER, WEYERHAEUSER, ZOOM ERIN GRANADOS, FORWARD BRUSNWICK, ZOOM GORDAN JACKSON, THE BRUNSWICK NEWS, ZOOM

# **CALL TO ORDER**

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

# INVOCATION

Pastor Carl Brown, Jr. – Mount Olive Missionary Baptist Church gave invocation.

## PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Pastor Carl Brown, Jr. – Mount Olive Missionary Baptist Church began pledge of allegiance.

# WELCOME & RECOGNIZE GUEST

Chairman Jack Kilgore welcomed guests

## ACCEPT AGENDA

**A MOTION** was made by Bill Austin, seconded by Wayne Johnson, and passed unanimously to accept the agenda as presented. The **MOTION** carried unanimously: 4-0.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Chairman Jack Kilgore invited public comments.

# **CHAIRMAN'S ITEMS**

## Weyerhaeuser Project Update - Samantha Turner

Samantha Turner reported and shared a rendering of the progress of the new Weyerhaeuser site. The Request For Proposals are out for bid for the site development. Samantha Turner and Weyerhaeuser team are looking forward to completion and will get with team on a groundbreaking with more to come.

## **APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES**

**<u>A MOTION</u>** was made by Christy Jordan and seconded by Bill Austin to approve the September 7, 2021 Minutes as presented. The **MOTION** carried unanimously: 4-0.

## FINANCIALS

# Approve August Financials - Joan Hearn

Joan Hearn presented the financials.

A **MOTION** was made by Wayne Johnson and seconded by Bill Austin to approve the August financials as presented. The **MOTION** carried unanimously: 4-0.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

# **Consideration for Bond Resolution for Symrise**

Ryan Moore reviewed the bond resolution for Symrise. Symrise is a fragrance chemical company and is located on Colonels Island.

A **MOTION** was made by Wayne Johnson and seconded by Christy Jordan to approve the Bond Resolution for Symrise not to exceed 19M as presented. The **MOTION** carried unanimously: 4-0.

*Workforce Presentation, Don Mathews, Professor of Economic, College of Coastal Georgia* Professor Don Mathews presented the20 year outlook with hospitality and healthcare among the top employees.

# Presentation of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funding from Mathew Hill, Executive Director, Downtown Development Authority

Mathew Hill and Dylan Lukitsch reviewed the ARPA funding that the city is receiving with provision for loans and grants for businesses. Mathew Hill and Dylan Lukitsch have been working on some programs to benefit businesses in the downtown area with the city handling the loans and grants outside of the downtown district. More to come.

# Presentation of ARPA from Monica Hardin, Grants Coordinator, Glynn County

Monica Hardin reported on opportunities with small businesses recovery act up to \$10,000 each for 50 businesses. Application can be found on-line.

# Consideration of MOU with City of Brunswick

<u>A MOTION was made by Bill Austin and seconded by Christy Jordan to approve the</u> <u>Consideration of MOU with City of Brunswick as presented.</u> The **MOTION** carried <u>unanimously: 4-0.</u>

# Annual Report

Ryan Moore submitted a presentation of the annual report to the board along with hand-outs noting that it is available to the public via our website as well.

# FY2021 Objectives and Key Results (OKR)

Ryan Moore presented an overhead of the OKR to the board.

# UPDATES

## PRESIDENT'S INFORMATIONAL ITEMS: NEW BUSINESS ATTRACTION

# Project Update

Ryan Moore reported that the Authority is continuing to work with several large projects in the pipeline with heavy industry. Overall, things continue to look up with the Authority still in the running for numerous projects. More to come.

# **GEDA Annual Conference**

Ryan Moore reported that he attended the GEDA Annual Conference in Savannah with excellent ideas from other communities on ways to engage entrepreneurs. There was a lot of opportunity to do outreach with project managers at the state level to continue to build relationships and best practices.

# Atlanta Outreach

Vanessa Wagner reported that she spent a week in Atlanta with virtual site visits with a prospect in conjunction with our partners with the state. Vanessa Wagner had two one-on-one meetings with utility partners, site selectors and diversity inclusion outreach partners.

# National Business Aviation Association (NBAA) Conference

Ryan Moore reported that the NBAA Conference will be next week, and the Authority will be attending in support of the state of Georgia team and with Gulfstream announcement of the new jets, the G800 and G400, the timing is ideal. More to come.

# Area Development Consultants Forum

Vanessa Wagner reported that she will be attending the Area Development Consultants Forum in Chicago with 14 Site Selection meeting set up. More to come.

#### **EXISTING INDUSTRIES**

## Makers Meet Up - Virtual

Sherri Pruitt reported that the Facebook Live Makers Meet Up in September was with Haven Manufacturing. They are a local manufacturer with video of cutting process from beginning to end. The virtual meeting continues to have good number in viewership with over 1,000 views for Haven Manufacturing.

## Community Leader Roundtable

Sherri Pruitt reported that the Community Leader Roundtable continues to have a productive meeting. Each person gives a 2 to 3-minute snapshot of the current state of their organization.

## WTC Savannah International Business of the Year

Sherri Pruitt reported that the WTC Savannah will be hosting their annual International Business of the Year this month. This year Glynn County has two nominations for the award, MAP International and PaR Marine. More to come.

## WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

# Keep Glynn Running Golden Isles College and Career Academy (GICCA) Presentation

Vanessa Wagner reported that she kicked of the GICCA Career Day series to share the Keep Glynn Running message. Vanessa Wagner reported that it was a great event and looks forward to working with them again in the future.

## Workforce Strategy Implementation

Ryan Moore reported on the Workforce Strategy Implementation stating there will be a community meeting for the state of the workforce update this Thursday at the College of Coastal Georgia with more to come.

#### MARKETING

## Americans with Disability Act (ADA) Compliance Website Updates

Vanessa Wagner reported that in pursuit of connecting with all of our targeted audience the Authority is making it ADA compliance and how to use it on our website.

## **ENTREPRENEURSHIP**

## Mentorship Pilot Launch

Vanessa Wagner reported that she is excited to be working with the College of Coastal Georgia to bring small businesses to the community along with the help of Dylan Lukitsch from the DDA. A formal sign up and a goal to be ready in January. More to come.

# Global Entrepreneurship Week with Melanin Makers Market

Vanessa Wagner reported that the Global Entrepreneurship network is dedicated to building a global one stop shop and we are partnering with Melanin Makers November 13<sup>th</sup> at noon with Melanin Makers Market Community at the Marshes of Glynn Library with presentations to other makers attending with more to come.

## GCAC

## Budget Amendment - Gulfstream Roof Repair & Taxiway Alpha 4

A **MOTION** was made by Wayne Johnson and seconded by Bill Austin to approve the Budget Amendment – Gulfstream roof repair & taxiway Alpha 4 as presented. The **MOTION** carried unanimously: 4-0.

## Assignment of Tasteful Temptations Sublease to Airport DJMP, LLC

A **MOTION** was made by Wayne Johnson and seconded by Christy Jordan to approve the Assignment of Tasteful Temptations Sublease to Airport DJMP, LLC as presented. The **MOTION** carried unanimously: 4-0.

## Informational Items:

• Georgia Legislature at Saint Simons Island

## **IMPORTANT DATES**

- Development Authority Board Meeting Tuesday, November 2nd at 9am in Large Board Room
- RSM Classic November 15-21st, 2021

# **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

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. The **MOTION** carried unanimously: 4-0.

A **MOTION** to was made by Christy Jordan and seconded by Wayne Johnson to return to Open Session. The **MOTION** carried unanimously: 4-0.

# **Returned to Open Session**

A **MOTION** was made by Wayne Johnson and seconded by Christy Jordan to approve entering into the project commitment agreement with Symrise as presented. The **MOTION** carried unanimously: 4-0.

## ADJOURN

A **MOTION** to adjourn was made by Bill Austin and seconded by Christy Jordan. The **MOTION** carried unanimously: 4-0. The meeting adjourned at 11:30am.

Chairman Jack Kilgore

Attest:

Sherri Pruitt BRE Coordinator/ Golden Isles Development Authority