



**MINUTES – November 3, 2020 at 9:00 AM  
Large Board Room**

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

WAYNE JOHNSON  
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  
ALAN OURS, COUNTY MANAGER  
BILL BRUNSON, COUNTY COMMISSIONER  
DYLAN LUKITSCH, DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY  
GEOFFREY GABLI, SML SURF CO  
GORDAN JACKSON VIA ZOOM, THE BRUNSWICK NEWS  
LEIGH NEWTON, GCAC  
PETE SNELL VIA ZOOM, COASTAL PINE  
RALPH STAFFINS, CHAMBER  
ROB BURR, GCAC

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Wayne Johnson called the meeting to order at 9:00am.

**II. INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Bill Austin gave invocation and Chairman Wayne Johnson began pledge of allegiance.

**III. WELCOME & PUBLIC COMMENT**

Chairman Wayne Johnson welcomed guests and invited public comments. No public comments were requested.

**IV. ACCEPT AGENDA**

A MOTION was made by Jack Kilgore, seconded by Bill Austin, 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 Bill Austin and seconded by Jones Hooks to approve the October 6, 2020 Meeting Minutes as presented. The MOTION carried unanimously: 5-0.

**VI. CHAIRMAN ITEMS**

No items to discuss

**VII. FINANCIALS**

• **Approve September Financials – Joan Hearn**

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

**VIII. NEW BUSINESS**

• **Share the Future Grants**

SML Surf Co Innovation Grant

A MOTION was made by Bill Austin and seconded by Jack Kilgore to approve the Innovation Grant in the amount of \$6,233.94 as presented. The MOTION carried unanimously: 5-0.

**IX. UPDATES**

**President’s Informational Items:**

**New Business Attraction**

• **Project Update**

Ryan Moore reported that last month the Authority generated one new project with the potential of a 1-Million-dollar investment. The Authority had a site visit and are at the top of the list with more to come.

• **GEDA**

Ryan Moore reported that he attended the GEDA board retreat and it was a good turnout with opportunity to meet with people in person.

• **Jacksonville Broker Outreach**

Ryan Moore reported the Authority sponsored a lunch for the industrial program in Jacksonville. It was a great opportunity for face time to meet all the brokers in the area and share the opportunities with Golden Isles.

**Product Development**

• **Signage for Industrial Park**

Ryan Moore reported that the signage is under-way and painting has begun. More to come.

**Existing Industries**

• **Golden Isles Maker Meet Up – Veterans Day**

Vanessa Wagner reminded everyone that the Golden Isles Maker Event will be held on Veteran’s Day, November 11<sup>th</sup> at 5:30pm at the Silver Bluff Brewery. The speaker is

veteran, Eric Fritts, with a veteran owned business called Fritts Woodworking. The goal of the event is to get small businesses and entrepreneurs together to introduce them to one another so they can share resources and ideas. More to come.

### **Marketing**

- **Golden Isles Website**

Vanessa Wagner gave an overview of the Authority's website and reported that the redesign is 90% complete. The consultant has added several language translations to the site and is finishing up the final details.

- **Job Portal**

Vanessa Wager reported on the keepglynnrunning.com job portal and noted that jobs are updated daily from over 30,000 job ports.

### **Workforce Development**

- **Workforce Committee**

Ryan Moore reported that the third meeting with the UGA Carl Vincent team is now complete and the fourth and final meeting will take place in a few weeks. The Workforce Committee has 25 members currently with Jack Kilgore and Bill Austin on the committee. A full report will be made available the first quarter of next year.

- **Keep Glynn Running**

Ryan Moore reported on the Keep Glynn Running event at Brunswick High. The event started as a Manufacturing Day event but due to restrictions with manufacturers it was redirected to a Teacher's Appreciation Breakfast. The Authority shared manufacturing job opportunity flyers with the group. Sara Black, owner/operator of Brunswick Chick-fil-a, generously provided breakfast for 150 teachers/staff for the event at no cost.

Vanessa Wagner reported that the next Keep Glynn Running event will be November 17<sup>th</sup> with the Coastal Action Youth Leadership Group (CAYL). The Authority will be connecting CAYL with engineers and resources from PaR Marine. More to come.

## **X. GCAC**

- **Approve a request for an Aeronautical Sublease to 3809 Kilo, LLC for a portion of Lot N (former Car Wash) at the SSI Airport**

A **MOTION** was made by Christy Jordan and seconded by Jones Hooks to approve the Aeronautical Sublease to 3809 Kilo, LLC for a portion of Lot N at the SSI Airport as presented. The **MOTION** carried unanimously: 5-0.

- **Informational Items:**

Rob Burr reported that he will be serving as President of the Georgia Airport Association and Terra Winslett will serve on the Board of Directors. Jones Hooks distributed Jekyll Island Airport Economic Impact reports to the board and Rob Burr reminded the board that Glynn County is the only county in Georgia with three airports. GCAC has positioned themselves to be ready to go with marketing when the economy picks back up.

## **XI. IMPORTANT DATES**

- Development Authority Board Meeting–December 1<sup>st</sup>, Large Board Room, Tuesday at 9am.
- One Million Cups – December 2<sup>nd</sup>, Topsy McSway’s, Wednesday at 9am
- Golden Isles Maker Meet Up – December 9<sup>th</sup>, Silver Bluff Brewery, Wednesday at 5:30pm

**XII. 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 Bill Austin and seconded by Jones Hooks 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 Jack Kilgore and seconded by Bill Austin to return to Open Session. The **MOTION** carried unanimously: 5-0.

## Returned to Open Session

**XIII. 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 11:20am.

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Chairman Wayne Johnson

Attest:

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Sherri Pruitt  
BRE Coordinator/ Golden Isles Development Authority