



**MINUTES – April 5, 2022 at 9:00 AM
Large Board Room**

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

JACK KILGORE
BILL AUSTIN
JONES HOOKS
WAYNE JOHNSON

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT

CHRISTY JORDAN

OTHERS PRESENT

RYAN MOORE, STAFF
JOAN HEARN, STAFF
SHERRI PRUITT, STAFF
REES SUMERFORD, COUNSEL
ROB BURR, GCAC
TERRA WINSLETT, GCAC
SHAWNA WILLIAMS, GCAC
ALEX MAYFIELD, MAYFIELD LAW, LLC
RICHARD DAVIS, PREMIER PRINTING
PETE SNELL, COASTAL PINES TECHNICAL COLLEGE
ROOSEVELT HARRIS, BRUNSWICK JOB CORPS CENTER
BILL BRUNSON, GLYNN COUNTY
JULIE MARTIN, CITY OF BRUNSWICK
GORDON JACKSON, BRUNSWICK NEWS

CALL TO ORDER

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

INVOCATION

Bill Austin gave an invocation

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Bill Austin began the pledge of allegiance.

WELCOME & RECOGNIZE GUESTS

Chairman Jack Kilgore welcomed guests

ACCEPT AGENDA

A MOTION was made by Wayne Johnson, seconded by Bill Austin, 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

Ordinance Update, Pamela Thompson

Chairman Jack Kilgore deferred Ordinance Update for the May meeting.

Board Applicants Nominating Committee

Chairman Jack Kilgore reported that there are two upcoming vacancies at the end of July for the GIDA . Chairman Jack Kilgore recommended Jones Hooks as nominating committee chair and Bill Austin as a committee member, both accepted. More to come.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

A MOTION was made by Jones Hooks and seconded by Wayne Johnson to approve the March 1, 2022 Minutes as presented. The MOTION carried unanimously: 4-0.

FINANCIALS

Approve February Financials

Joan Hearn presented the financials for February and reported that the Scojet loan has been paid off. The Authority is on track for the month.

A MOTION was made by Wayne Johnson and seconded by Jones Hooks to approve the February financials as presented. The MOTION carried unanimously: 4-0.

NEW BUSINESS

Consider Golden Isles College and Career Academy CEO Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)

Ryan Moore presented the Golden Isles College and Career Academy CEO MOU to the board. Bill Austin noted that 'No student disciplinary action will be conducted the CEO' should be incorporated into the MOU. The funding for CEO compensation would come from the school system, Coastal Pines Technical College, and GIDA with each paying one-third. GIDA's contribution is capped at \$30,000 per year for three years.

A MOTION was made by Wayne Johnson and seconded by Bill Austin to approve the Golden Isles College and Coastal Academy CEO Memorandum of Understanding with adjustments as presented. The MOTION carried unanimously: 4-0.

Consider Share the Future for Premier Printing

Sherri Pruitt presented the Share the Future request for Placemaking by Premier Printing not to exceed \$10,000 with a total project cost of \$20,000. The grant will be used for the signage and window graphics to increase the attractiveness and visibility of the business.

A **MOTION** was made by Wayne Johnson and seconded by Bill Austin to approve the Share the Future grant as presented. Jones Hooks abstained from the vote. The **MOTION** carried unanimously: 3-0.

Consider Share the Future for Mayfield Law, LLC

Sherri Pruitt presented the Share the Future request for Placemaking by Mayfield Law, LLC not to exceed \$5,000 with a total project cost of \$10,000. The grant will be used for the exterior of the facility's aesthetics to increase the attractiveness and visibility of the business.

A **MOTION** was made by Jones Hooks and seconded by Bill Austin to approve the Share the Future grant as presented. The **MOTION** carried unanimously: 4-0.

Consider Share the Future for Forward Brunswick

Chairman Jack Kilgore reported that the Forward Brunswick request will be deferred to a later date.

UPDATES

PRESIDENT'S INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:

NEW BUSINESS ATTRACTION

Project Updates

Ryan Moore reported that MAP International is moving forward with its expansion. The Scojet relocation continues to move forward and will be breaking ground soon. There has been a big uptick in electric vehicle activity and large manufacturing companies. The Authority had a site visit from a European company with a decision in the next 30 days on the site they select. More to come.

State of the Port

Ryan Moore reported that the State of the Port, hosted by the Chamber, was a great event and well attended. Chairman Kilgore noted the great news of a 250-million-dollar investment into our community along with an additional berth to the Port.

EXISTING INDUSTRIES

Groundbreaking Event for Weyerhaeuser

Ryan Moore reported on Weyerhaeuser's groundbreaking on April 3rd. Weyerhaeuser is moving along and is under construction on their 8,000sf headquarters. The County was instrumental in partnering with the Authority and making everything come together in a nine-month time frame.

Brunswick Cellulose Job Fair

Sherri Pruitt reported that the Authority, Coastal Pines, and the College of Coastal Georgia co-sponsored the Brunswick Cellulose job fair on March 24th, 2022. Brunswick Cellulose had food trucks and speakers on Women in Manufacturing with a good crowd.

Job Fair Event – Hospitality and Tourism

Sherri Pruitt reported on the Hospitality and Tourism Specific Job Fair event. The Authority, in partnership with Coastal Worksource and the Downtown Development Authority, hosted the event on March 31st, 2022 with a steady group of applicants resulting in some on-site interviews and possible hirings. The next event will be Healthcare specific in June or July. More to come.

WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

This Girl Can Event

Sherri Pruitt reported that the Authority hosted the This Girl Can event on March 10th at the Golden Isles Career and College Academy. Stephanie Treece MEM, PMP and Naryan Solow from PaR Marine were the guest speakers and received great participation from the group.

Women In Business Kick-off Event in May

Sherri Pruitt reported on the kick-off event the Authority is hosting to connect women entrepreneurs for support, education, and inspiration from one another. More to come.

Connect Glynn Educator Externship Program Presentation

Ryan Moore reported on the Connect Glynn Educator Externship Program, implemented by the Chamber, where teachers spend a few days with local companies.^[SP1] The program was put together to help teachers better understand the opportunities in the community so they can communicate them to their students. FLETC, Sea Island, King and Prince Seafood, SEGHS all participated in the program.

Chamber Diversity Equity Inclusion Panel

Ryan Moore attended the DEI event hosted by the Carl Vincent Institute at the Ritz Theater. Very good event and well-attended.

GCAC

Budget Amendment #02 FY 2021-2022 – Brunswick Golden Isles Airport

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

Informational Items:

- Young Eagles Rally April 30, EAA Clubhouse – SSI Airport
- Coastal Georgia Honor Flight – May 7, 2022 – Brunswick Golden Isles Airport
- Commemorative Air Force Air Power History Tour of Historic WWII Aircraft – Brunswick Golden Isles Airport – May 18-22, 2022
- Delta Flights back to three flights beginning April 11th, 2022.

IMPORTANT DATES

- Development Authority Board Meeting – Tuesday, May 3rd, at 9 am in Large Board Room

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 Section §50-14-2(b)(2)

A **MOTION** was made by Wayne Johnson and seconded by Jones Hooks to enter into Closed Session to discuss Real Estate, Pending or Potential Litigation, Personnel. The **MOTION** carried unanimously: 4-0.

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

Returned to Open Session

ADJOURN

A **MOTION** to adjourn was made by Jones Hooks and seconded by Wayne Johnson. The **MOTION** carried unanimously: 4-0. The meeting adjourned at 1:15 am.

Chairman Jack Kilgore

Attest:

Sherri Pruitt
BRE Coordinator/ Golden Isles Development Authority