



MINUTES – June 7, 2022, at 8:30 AM
Large Board Room

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

JACK KILGORE
BILL AUSTIN
JONES HOOKS
WAYNE JOHNSON
CHRISTY JORDAN

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT

OTHERS PRESENT

RYAN MOORE, STAFF
JOAN HEARN, STAFF
MCKENZIE PADGETT, STAFF
SHERRI PRUITT, STAFF
REES SUMERFORD, COUNSEL
ROB BURR, GCAC
TIFFANY LANDRY, GCAC
PAT HARVEY, ATLANTA GAS LIGHT
BILL BRUNSON, GLYNN COUNTY
WAYNE NEAL, GLYNN COUNTY
ALLY MOLINE, SILVER BLUFF BREWERY

CALL TO ORDER

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

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Bill Austin gave an invocation and began the pledge of allegiance.

WELCOME & RECOGNIZE GUESTS

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: 5-0.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Chairman Jack Kilgore invited public comments.

CHAIRMAN'S ITEMS

Board Member Update

Chairman Jack Kilgore reported that the City of Brunswick approved the recommendations for the board and Glynn County has deferred the vote for the next meeting. Among the applicants that applied, the Nominating Committee recommends Christy Jordan serve a second 3-year term and appoint Bill Dawson to serve a 3-year term on the Golden Isles Development Authority Board. More to come.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

A MOTION was made by Jones Hooks and seconded by Wayne Johnson to approve the May 3rd, 2022, Minutes as presented. The **MOTION** carried unanimously: 5-0.

A MOTION was made by Bill Austin and seconded by Christy Jordan to approve the May 27th, 2022, Called Minutes as presented. The **MOTION** carried unanimously: 5-0.

FINANCIALS

Approve FY 23 Budget Amendment

Ryan Moore presented the proposal for the 2023 budget.

A MOTION was made by Wayne Johnson and seconded by Bill Austin to approve the FY 23 Budget Amendment as presented. The **MOTION** carried unanimously: 5-0.

Approve April Financials

Joan Hearn presented the financials for the month of April.

A MOTION was made by Jones Hooks and seconded by Wayne Johnson to approve the April financials as presented. The **MOTION** carried unanimously: 5-0.

NEW BUSINESS

Consider Share the Future for Silver Bluff Brewery

Sherri Pruitt presented the Share the Future request for Innovating by Silver Bluff Brewery not to exceed \$10,000 with a total project cost of \$76,000. The grant will be used for equipment to increase the production of the canning process from 25 cans to 75 cans per minute.

A MOTION was made by Wayne Johnson and seconded by Bill Austin to approve the Share the Future grant as presented. The **MOTION** carried unanimously: 5-0.

Election of Officers

Installation of New Board Officers:

Bill Austin – Chairman

Jones Hooks – Vice Chairman

Christy Jordan – Secretary-Treasurer

MOTION was made by Wayne Johnson and seconded by Jack Kilgore to approve the officers as presented. The **MOTION** carried unanimously: 5-0.

UPDATES

PRESIDENT'S INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:

NEW STAFFING UPDATE

McKenzie Padgett

Ryan Moore introduced McKenzie Padgett, the new Business Development Director to the Board.

NEW BUSINESS ATTRACTION

GEDA Spring Conference

Ryan Moore reported that the Authority attended the GEDA Spring Conference on Jekyll Island and reported that it was well attended by state project managers.

Hyundai Announcement

Ryan Moore reported that Hyundai announced the building of a 5-billion-dollar facility in Ellaville Georgia that will employ over 8,000 people. This is the biggest economic development announcement in the history of the state of Georgia. Ryan Moore reported this will have a positive impact for Glynn County, noting we are far enough away that we're not competitive with their labor force and logistically located to make sense for suppliers to come to our area. More to come.

Community Sentiment Survey

Ryan Moore reviewed the Community Sentiment Survey with the board. The survey was in partnership with the Authority, CVB, Forward Brunswick, and the Chamber. It was notable that 1 in 5 surveyed are currently working from home.

EXISTING INDUSTRIES

World Trade Center (WTC) Event

Ryan Moore reported that Savannah WTC annual luncheon event announced the International Business of the Year. The Authority had several nominees but did not have a winner. However, Savannah WTC recognized MAP International with a special recognition video presented by Savannah WTC to the attendees and Ryan Moore shared it with the board and guests.

Women Entrepreneur Kick-Off

Sherri Pruitt reported the Authority saw a need for Women in business in the community and initiated the 2022 Women Entrepreneurs kick-off Event at Silver Bluff on May 12th, 2022. The purpose is to connect women entrepreneurs for support, education, and inspiration from one another. Great turnout and the plan moving forward is to continue to meet quarterly with GIDA hosting the events. More to come.

Save the Date - Industry Appreciation Dinner - October 6, 2022, from 5:30-8:30pm

Ryan Moore reported that a local industry appreciation event is planned October 6, 2022, at Silver Bluff Brewery from 5:30-8:30pm. This will not be open to the public. More to come.

WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

Golden Isles College and Career Academy CEO Update

Ryan Moore reported that the search continues for the CEO for Golden Isles College and Career Academy with more to come.

PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT

Map International Expansion Update

Ryan Moore reported that MAP International continues to move forward with their expansion. More to come.

MARKETING

Haven Manufacturing

Sherri Pruitt presented a video highlighting one of the communities manufacturing companies, Haven Manufacturing and president, Steve Thiry. The video gave an overview of what they produce. The Authority partnered with Parker Alexander of Empire Sky Company to shoot the video.

Tradewinds Trade Tech Signage at I95

Ryan Moore reported that the signage for the Tradewinds Trade Tech site at I95 is in the works and scheduled to arrive soon. More to come.

Share the Future Signage

Sherri Pruitt presented photos of signage from several of the recent Share the Future recipients. Once a business is awarded a Share the Future grant they will have a sign placed at their location that reads: In Participation with Golden Isles Development Authority.

GCAC

Glynn County Airport Commission Proposed Budget for the FY 2022-2023

A **MOTION** was made by Bill Austin and seconded by Christy Jordan to approve the GCAC proposed budget for FY 2022-2023 as presented. The **MOTION** carried unanimously: 5-0.

Golden Isles Development Authority appoint two of its members to serve on the GCAC Audit Committee for FY 22/23

Chairman Jack Kilgore reported that Vice-Chairman Bill Austin will appoint two members at the next meeting in July.

IMPORTANT DATES

- Development Authority Board Meeting – July 12th, 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 Christy Jordan to enter into Closed Session to discuss Real Estate, Pending or Potential Litigation, and Personnel. The **MOTION** carried unanimously: 5-0.

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

Returned to Open Session

A **MOTION** was made by Christy Jordan and seconded by Wayne Johnson to move forward with Parcel 03-22297 and Parcel 03-26835 expansion area as presented. The **MOTION** carried unanimously: 5-0.

ADJOURN

A **MOTION** to adjourn was made by Jones Hooks and seconded by Wayne Johnson. The **MOTION** carried unanimously: 5-0. The meeting adjourned at 11:05 am.

Chairman Jack Kilgore

Attest:

Sherri Pruitt
BRE Coordinator/ Golden Isles Development Authority