

FINAL MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 8th, 2017, SPECIAL BOARD MEETING OF
THE MADISON COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
HELD AND CONDUCTED ON THE 8th DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2017,
AT 12:00 P.M.
IN THE MCEDA CONFERENCE ROOM
OF THE MCEDA OFFICES AT 135 MISSISSIPPI PARKWAY,
CANTON, MISSISSIPPI

The special meeting of the Madison County Economic Development Authority was conducted on the 8TH day of September 2017, at 12:00 p.m. in the MCEDA Office at 135 Mississippi Parkway, Canton, MS.

Members Present: Sells Newman, Lanny Slaughter, Doug Jones, Jim Smith, Dwight Luckett, Ed Gardner

Staff: Ken Oilschlager, Skipper Jernigan

At 12:15 p.m., Chairman Slaughter announced that the members present constituted a quorum, declared the meeting duly convened and directed that the notice for the meeting be filed with the minutes.

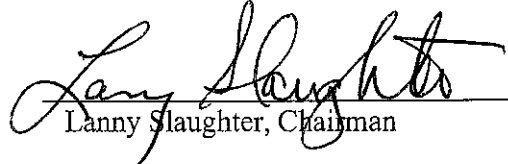
Mr. Harris made a motion to adopt the agenda. After a second by Mr. Newman, the motion was unanimously approved.

There was a motion by Mr. Newman, and a second by Mr. Smith to go into closed session for the purpose of discussing personnel. The motion passed unanimously. There was then a discussion of the need to go into Executive Session to discuss personnel, at the conclusion of which there was a motion by Mr. Jones and a second by Mr. Harris to do so. This motion was unanimously adopted. Chairman Slaughter then opened the meeting to announce publicly that the Board was going into Executive Session to discuss personnel. Chairman Slaughter convened an Executive Session for this purpose. Mr. Smith made a motion to adjourn Executive Session. After a second by Mr. Luckett, there was a unanimous vote to adjourn the Executive Session, and reconvene the open session. The following actions were taken in Executive Session were then reported by the Chair:

Mr. Luckett made a motion to hire Joey Deason as Executive Director of MCEDA per the contract presented by Attorney Jernigan. After a second by Mr. Gardner, the motion was unanimously approved.

The Board then heard a discussion by Interim Director Oilschlager and their Board Attorney regarding a matter involving the EPA and a parcel of property owned by MCEDA located in the Canton Industrial park and known as the Southeastern Timber Co. site. The Board was advised that the site was acquired by MCEDA in 1984 and subsequently it was determined that there was environmental contamination on the property consisting primarily of creosote and that the property had been undergoing remediation by the EPA under the supervision of the MDEQ. The Board was advised that EPA had placed them on notice of the costs incurred for the environmental cleanup and that pursuant to a prior agreement between MCEDA and the EPA that MCEDA may be liable for a very small portion of the cleanup costs. MCEDA has until September 20 to respond to EPA and will be in discussions with them after that date to attempt to reach a final resolution of the claim

At 1:15 p.m., upon a motion made by Mr. Jones, seconded by Mr. Lockett and unanimously adopted, the meeting was adjourned.



Lanny Slaughter, Chairman

ATTEST:


Sells Newman, Secretary/Treasurer