

FINAL MINUTES OF THE MAY 9, 2019, REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE  
MADISON COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY  
HELD AND CONDUCTED ON THE 9<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF MAY 2019,  
AT 8:30 A.M.  
IN THE MCEDA CONFERENCE ROOM  
OF THE MCEDA OFFICES AT 135 MISSISSIPPI PARKWAY,  
CANTON, MISSISSIPPI

The regular meeting of the Madison County Economic Development Authority was conducted on the 9<sup>TH</sup> day of May 2019, at 8:30 a.m. in the MCEDA Office at 135 Mississippi Parkway, Canton, MS.

Members Present: Doug Jones, Gerard Gibert, Lanny Slaughter, Ed Gardner, Calvin Harris, Tracy Bailey

Staff: Joseph Deason, Taquana Mack, Lauren Scheel, and Attorney Arthur Jernigan

Guests: Jan Collins, Mary Kate Rankin, Cecil Harper

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At 8:34 a.m., Chairman Jones 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.

Chairman Jones opened the meeting with a prayer.

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

Mr. Gibert made a motion to approve the minutes of the April 11, 2019, MCEDA Board meeting. After a second by Mr. Gardner, the motion was unanimously approved.

Secretary/Treasurer Tracy Bailey reviewed the financial reports with the board. Mr. Gibert requested that a comparative statement report be added to the reports moving forward. Mr. Bailey made a motion to approve the financial reports. After a second by Mr. Harris, the motion was unanimously approved.

Ms. Jan Collins with the Madison County Business League and Foundation provided a report of workforce development for the prior month and a calendar of events for the next upcoming months. Mr. Cecil Harper was also present and thanked the MCEDA board for all of their support.

There was a motion by Mr. Gardner and a second by Mr. Slaughter to go into closed session for the purpose of discussing the need for an Executive Session to address legal matters with Project Phoenix and the transaction of business and discussions or negotiations regarding the location, relocation, or expansion of a business or industry. The motion passed unanimously. There was then discussion of the need to go into Executive Session to consider the aforementioned, at the conclusion of which there was a motion by Mr. Gardner and a second by Mr. Harris to do so. This motion was unanimously adopted. Chairman Jones then opened the meeting to announce publicly that the Board was going into Executive Session to discuss the legal matters with Project Phoenix and the transaction of business and discussions or negotiations regarding the location, relocation, or expansion of a business or industry. Chairman Jones convened an Executive Session for this purpose. Mr. Harris made a motion to adjourn Executive Session. After a second by Mr. Gardner, there was a unanimous vote to adjourn the Executive Session and reconvene the open session. The following actions were taken in Executive

Session and were then reported by the Chairman:

No Actions Were Taken

Mr. Deason reported that MCEDA will submit an application to the Delta Regional Authority for a grant in the next upcoming weeks. He also stated that the Mississippi Development Authority awarded MCEDA with a \$250,000.00 match grant and Entergy awarded a \$15,000.00 grant.

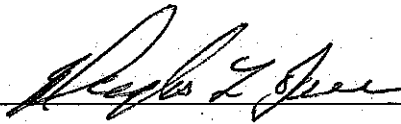
Mr. Gardner made a motion to move the July MCEDA board meeting to July 18, 2019. After a second by Mr. Slaughter, the motion was unanimously approved.

Mr. Deason stated that MCEDA will seek bids from companies for the mulching and cleanup of the Megasite and will keep the board informed on the progress.

Mr. Deason went over the traveling plans for events that he will be attending in the upcoming weeks: Entergy Excited Event, Nissan Trip, Select USA, and MEDC.

Mr. Bailey made a motion authorizing the payment of the sum of \$250,000.00 as matching funds for a grant from the Mississippi Development Authority for the purpose of providing infrastructure and related improvements at the MegaSite Industrial land. After a second by Mr. Harris, the motion was unanimously approved.

At 9:42 a.m., upon a motion made by Mr. Gardner, seconded by Mr. Slaughter and unanimously adopted, the meeting was adjourned.



Doug Jones, Chairman

ATTEST:



Tracy Bailey, Secretary/Treasurer