

**MINUTES**

Board Meeting of the Madison County Economic Development Authority  
Thursday, July 15, 2021 at 8:00 a.m.  
MCEDA Conference Room  
135 Mississippi Parkway, Canton, Mississippi

**Members in Attendance:**

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| Gerard Gibert         | Doug Jones | Dwight Lockett          |
| Calvin Harris (Phone) | Wint McGee | Lanny Slaughter (Phone) |

**Staff in Attendance:**

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| Attorney Morgan Keup | Joey Deason  | Stacy Lester   |
| Lauren Scheel        | Taquana Mack | Emily Harrison |

**Guests in Attendance:**

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| Jan Collins | Wesley Goings | Chad Wages |
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At 8:03 a.m. Mr. Gibert announced that the members present in person and telephonically constituted a quorum and convened the regular monthly meeting of the Board.

Vice-Chairman Jones led in prayer.

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

Mr. Lockett made a motion to approve the minutes of the MCEDA Board Meeting on June 10, 2021. After a second by Mr. Jones, the motion was unanimously approved.

Mr. Deason reviewed the June Financials. Secretary/Treasurer Lockett made a motion to approve the June Financials. After a second by Mr. Jones, the motion was unanimously approved.

Ms. Collins with the Madison County Business League and Foundation provided an update and report as well as Wesley Goings, MCBL&F Board President, who greeted the Board.

Mr. Deason requested acknowledgement of the Civil Link invoice for services regarding the design and construction for the Project Pine Access Road in the sum of \$30,349.95. Mr. Lockett made a motion of acknowledgement. After a second by Mr. McGee, the motion was unanimously approved.

Mr. Deason requested acknowledgement of the Civil Link invoice for Southern Rock Pay App No. 3 in the sum of \$333,309.09. Mr. Harris made a motion of acknowledgement. After a second by Mr. Slaughter, the motion was unanimously approved.

Mr. Deason requested acknowledgement of the Civil Link invoices to APAC MS, Inc. Pay Apps No. 3 (\$33,297.49) and No. 4 (\$255,501.36). Mr. McGee made a motion of acknowledgement. After a second by Mr. Jones, the motion was unanimously approved.

Mr. Deason requested approval for the Highway 22 ROW Forestry Mulching at the Madison Mega Site for Outdoor Solutions Pay App No. 5 in the amount of \$6,604.55. Mr. Harrison made a motion to approve payment. After a second by Mr. McGee, the motion was unanimously approved.

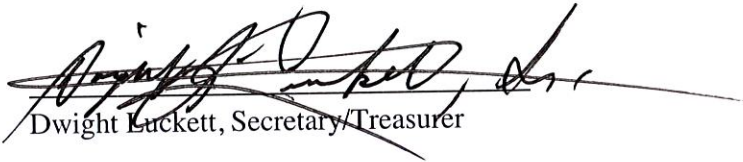
Mr. Deason requested approval for Pay App No. 1 to Blurton and Banks for Clearing and Grubbing at the Madison Mega Site for \$48,475. Mr. McGee made a motion to approve payment. After a second by Mr. Lockett, the motion was unanimously approved.

There was a motion by Mr. Jones and a second by Mr. McGee to go into closed session for the purpose of discussing the need for an Executive Session to discuss the transaction of business regarding the location, relocation, or expansion of a business or industry. The motion passed unanimously. There was then discussion of the need to stay in Executive Session to discuss the items as set forth on the Agenda. Upon motion by Mr. Harris and a second by Mr. Slaughter the motion to remain in executive session was unanimously adopted. Chairman Gibert then stated publicly that the Board was in Executive session to discuss transaction of business and negotiations regarding the location, relocation, or expansion of a business or industry. After the Board room was cleared, Mr. Deason brought several matters before the Board for discussion purposes only and there was no action taken regarding the same. Mr. Jones then made a motion to adjourn Executive Session. After a second by Mr. McGee 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:

The meeting was adjourned at 8:59 a.m. by Chairman Gerard Gibert.



Gerard Gibert, Chairman



Dwight Lockett, Secretary/Treasurer