

**MINUTES**  
 Board Meeting of the Madison County Economic Development Authority  
 Friday, October 22, 2021 at 9:00 a.m.  
 MCEDA Conference Room  
 135 Mississippi Parkway, Canton, Mississippi

**Members in Attendance:**

Gerard Gibert	Doug Jones	Dwight Lockett (Phone)
Ed Gardner (Zoom)	Calvin Harris (Phone)	Wint McGee (Zoom)
Lanny Slaughter (Phone)		

**Staff in Attendance:**

Attorney Skip Jernigan	Joey Deason	Lauren Scheel
Emily Harrison		

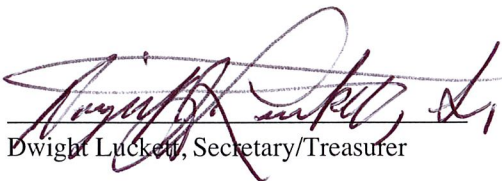
At 9:05 a.m. Mr. Gibert announced that the members present in person and telephonically constituted a quorum and convened the regular monthly meeting of the Board.

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. Mr. McGee then made a motion to adjourn Executive Session. After a second by Mr. Jones 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:

Mr. Slaughter made a motion to authorize the sale of the Collaboratory Building for the amount of Four Million Dollars and authorized the Executive Director to sign all documents, after legal review, related to the sale and conveyance. After a second by Mr. Harris, the motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Jones made a motion to authorize the sale of approximately twenty-five acres (25) at the Flora Industrial Park to Project Big E, who will create 40-50 high paying jobs and a \$25 million investment and to authorize the Executive Director to sign all document necessary for the sale of said property. After a second by Mr. Lockett, the motion passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:18 a.m. by Chairman Gerard Gibert.



Dwight Lockett, Secretary/Treasurer



Gerard Gibert, Chairman