

MINUTES

Board Meeting of the Madison County Economic Development Authority
Thursday, November 11, 2021 at 8:00 a.m.
MCEDA Conference Room
135 Mississippi Parkway, Canton, Mississippi

Members in Attendance:

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

Staff in Attendance:

Attorney Skip Jernigan	Joey Deason	Lauren Scheel
Emily Harrison		

Guests in Attendance:

Jan Collins	Ray Balentine (Phone)	Chad Wages
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At 8:00 a.m. Vice-Chairman Jones 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. Harris made a motion to adopt the agenda. After a second by Mr. Slaughter, the motion was unanimously approved.

Mr. Lockett made a motion to approve the minutes of the MCEDA Board Meeting on October 14, 2021. After a second by Mr. Harris, the motion was unanimously approved.

Mr. Gardner made a motion to approve the minutes of the MCEDA Special Called Board Meeting on October 22, 2021. After a second by Mr. McGee the motion was unanimously approved.

Mr. Deason reviewed the August Financials. Secretary/Treasurer Lockett made a motion to approve the September Construction Financials and the October Millage and Construction Financials. After a second by Mr. Harris, the motion was unanimously approved.

Ms. Collins with the Madison County Business League and Foundation provided an update and report. Mr. Balentine greeted the board.

Ms. Scheel requested approval to declare MCEDA Drone as surplus equipment and donate the Madison County School District. Mr. Gardner made a motion to approve. After a second by Mr. McGee, the motion passed unanimously.

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 \$23,960.49. Mr. Lockett

made a motion of acknowledgement. After a second by Mr. Harris, the motion was unanimously approved.

Mr. Deason requested acknowledgement of the Simmons Erosion Control Pay App No. 6 (\$45,269.39) and No. 7 (\$92,510.68) for ongoing construction of the Project Pine Access Road Intersection. Mr. McGee made a motion of acknowledgement. After a second by Mr. Gardner, the motion was unanimously approved.

Mr. Deason requested approval of Outdoor Solutions Pay App No. 6 (\$27,950.00) for Mega Site Mulching. Mr. Luckett made a motion of approval. After a second by Mr. Gardner, the motion was unanimously approved.

Mr. Deason requested approval of Fowler Construction Pay App No. 2 (\$98,680.92) for Mega Site Clearing and Grubbing. Mr. McGee made a motion of approval. After a second by Mr. Harris, the motion was unanimously approved.

Mr. Deason requested approval to award the Madison County Parkway Lighting Bid to Lewis Electric in the amount of \$238,530.00. Mr. McGee made a motion of approval. After a second by Mr. Gardner, the motion was unanimously approved.

Mr. Deason requested approval to edit the Director of Accounting and Finance and Office Manager job descriptions under the Office Manager title. Mr. Luckett made a motion to approve. After a second by Mr. Harris, the motion was unanimously approved.

Mr. Deason requested acknowledgement of hiring Andreau Brown as the Office Manger under the new description at a salary of \$50,000. Mr. Gardner made a motion of acknowledgement. After a second by Mr. Slaughter, the motion was unanimously approved.

Mr. Deason requested approval of Outdoor Solutions Pay App No. 1 (\$40,875.00) for Sulphur Springs Clearing and Grubbing. Mr. Harris made a motion of approval. After a second by Mr. Luckett, the motion was unanimously approved.

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 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. 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. There was no action taken in Executive Session.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 a.m. by Chairman Gerard Gibert.



Gerard Gibert, Chairman



Dwight J. Lockett, Sr. (Dec 9, 2021 11:16 CST)

Dwight Lockett, Secretary/Treasurer