

**MINUTES**

Board Meeting of the Madison County Economic Development Authority  
Thursday, September 8, 2022 at 8:00 a.m.  
MCEDA Conference Room  
135 Mississippi Parkway, Canton, Mississippi

**Members in Attendance:**

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

**Staff in Attendance:**

Attorney Skip Jernigan	Joey Deason	Emily Harrison
Andreau Brown		

**Guests in Attendance:**

Jan Collins	Chad Wages	Ray Balentine
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At 8:00 a.m. 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 Lockett led in prayer.

Mr. Gibert made a motion to approve the minutes of the MCEDA Board Meeting on August 9, 2022 upon two name corrections. After a second by Mr. Lockett, the motion was unanimously approved.

Mr. Deason reviewed the August Financials. Secretary/Treasurer McGee made a motion to approve the August 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.

Mr. Deason requested approval to remove Lauren Scheel from the MCEDA Bank Signatures. Mr. Harris made a motion to approve. After a second by Mr. Lockett, the motion was unanimously approved.

Mr. Deason provided an update to the Board on the Madison County Sales Tax Revenue for this year.

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 \$3,585. Mr. Gibert made a motion of acknowledgement. After a second by Mr. McGee, the motion was unanimously approved.

There was a motion by Mr. McGee and a second by Mr. Lockett 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. Gibert the motion to remain in executive session was unanimously adopted. Chairman Jones 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. Gibert then made a motion to adjourn Executive Session. After a second by Mr. Harris 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. McGee made a motion to approve MCEDA Executive Director to authorize a joint venture with Mike Jarvis for construction of a cell tower at the Madison County Mega Site. After a second by Mr. Harris, the motion was unanimously approved.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:27 a.m. by Chairman Jones.

  
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Wint McGee, Secretary/Treasurer

  
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Douglas Jones, Chairman