

**MINUTES**  
 Board Meeting of the Madison County Economic Development Authority  
 Thursday, November, 2024 at 8:30 a.m.  
 MCEDA Conference Room  
 135 Mississippi Parkway, Canton, Mississippi

**Members in Attendance:**

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

**Staff in Attendance:**

Attorney Skip Jernigan	Joey Deason	Larkin Simpson
Emily Harrison	Andrea Brown	

**Guests in Attendance:**

Chad Wages	Bill Felder	Jan Collins
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At 8:30 a.m. Chairman McGee announced that the members present in person and telephonically constituted a quorum and convened the regular monthly meeting of the Board.

Mr. Jones led in prayer.

Mr. Jones made a motion to approve the October 10, 2024 Board Minutes. After a second by Mr. Gibert, the motion was unanimously approved.

Mr. Deason reviewed the October Financials. Mr. Lockett made a motion to approve the October Financials. After a second by Mr. Gardner the motion was unanimously approved.

Ms. Collins provided a report for the Madison County Business League and Foundation.

Mr. Deason requested approval to award the Madison County Parkway East Extension to low bidder Southern Rock in the amount of \$2,849,687.50. Mr. Gibert made a motion to approve. After a second by Mr. Lockett, the motion was approved. Mr. Gardner abstained from voting.

Mr. Deason requested approval of Gulf states Engineering Co. Invoice 94843 for Mega Site Pump Station equipment for \$417,707.50. Mr. Jones made a motion to approve. After a second by Mr. Gardner, the motion was approved.

Mr. Deason requested approval of Birdsong Construction Change Order No. 1 for JAN100 Montero Substation Pad for \$5,962,588. Mr. Gardner abstained from voting. Lockett made a motion to approve. After a second by Mr. Jones, the motion was unanimously approved.

Mr. Deason requested approval of Birdsong Construction Change Order No. 4 for Hemphill Construction for \$959,569.27. Mr. Gardner abstained from voting. Mr. Slaughter made a motion to approve. After a second by Mr. Jones, the motion was unanimously approved.

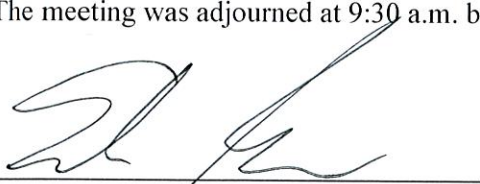
Mr. Deason requested approval of Consent Agenda Items; he did explain that any board member in advance of the call of the question may request that any item be removed from the Consent Agenda.

Mr. Slaughter made a motion to approve. After a second by Mr. Harris, the following consent items were approved. Mr. Gardner abstained from voting.

- a. Approval of AWS Funded Projects JAN100
  - i. Approval of Birdsong Construction Pay App No. 1 for Andes Substation Pad for \$199,800.95
  - ii. Approval of Birdsong Construction Pay App No. 2 for Montero Substation Pad for \$2,281,306.21
  - iii. Approval of Wages Civil Invoice 113 for Andes Substation for 83,398.29
  - iv. Approval of Wages Civil Invoice 114 for Montero Substation for \$215,888.70
  - v. Approval of Wages Civil Invoice 116 for Mega Site Building 104 Pad for \$34,856.93
- b. Approval of AWS Funded Projects JAN200
  - i. Approval of Birdsong Construction Pay App No. 5 for JAN200 Buildings 1-4 for \$9,854,580.65
  - ii. Approval of Wages Civil Invoice 115 for Costas Substation Pad for \$27,913.76
  - iii. Approval of Wages Civil Invoice 117 for JAN200 Buildings 1-4 for \$380,420.36
  - iv. Approval of Hemphill Pay App No. 7 for JAN200 Clearing & Grubbing for \$225,473.55
  - v. Approval of Hemphill Pay App No. 8 for JAN200 Clearing & Grubbing for \$122,532.58
  - vi. Approval of Hemphill Pay App No. 9 for JAN200 Clearing & Grubbing for \$31,912.49
- c. Approval of State Funded Projects for Infrastructure Improvements
  - i. Approval of Brasfield & Gorrie Invoice No. 1 for CMAR Services Package for \$83,610.27
  - ii. Approval of Neel-Schaffer Invoice No. 1100985 for \$161,826.36
  - iii. Approval of Waggoner Invoice No. 43137 for \$176,319.21
  - iv. Approval of Waggoner Invoice No. 43139 for \$89,470.00
  - v. Approval of MSEG Invoice No. 22181-002 for \$168,867.00

There was a motion by Mr. Jones and a second by Mr. Luckett 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. Gibert and a second by Mr. Slaughter the motion to remain in executive session was unanimously adopted. Chairman McGee 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. 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 action taken.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 a.m. by Chairman McGee.



Ed Gardner, Secretary/Treasurer



Wint McGee, Chairman