

**MINUTES**  
 Board Meeting of the Madison County Economic Development Authority  
 Thursday, April 17, 2025 at 8:30 a.m.  
 MCEDA Conference Room  
 135 Mississippi Parkway, Canton, Mississippi

**Members in Attendance:**

Gerard Gibert	Doug Jones	Lanny Slaughter
Dwight Lockett	Ed Gardner	Calvin Harris

**Staff in Attendance:**

Attorney Skip Jernigan	Joey Deason	Larkin Simpson
Emily Harrison		

**Guests in Attendance:**

Chad Wages	Bill Felder	Jan Collins
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At 8:30 a.m. Chairman Gibert 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 March 13, 2025 Board Minutes. After a second by Mr. Lockett, the motion was unanimously approved.

Mr. Deason reviewed the March Financials. Mr. Harris made a motion to approve the February Financials. After a second by Mr. Slaughter the motion was unanimously approved.

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

Mr. Deason requested approval of the annual Board Bond AOR Authorization Letters for each Board Member. Mr. Jones made a motion to approve. After a second by Mr. Lockett, the motion was unanimously approved.

Mr. Deason requested approval of Southern Rock Change Order No. 1 for Madison County Parkway East Road Improvements in the sum of \$73,100. Mr. Lockett made a motion to approve. After a second by Mr. Harris, the motion was unanimously approved.

Mr. Deason requested approval of Birdsong Construction Change Order No. 2 for JAN100 Building 104 Pad in the decreased amount of \$1,007,731.51. Mr. Gardner made a motion to approve. After a second by Mr. Slaughter, the motion was unanimously approved.

Mr. Deason requested approval of Malouf Change Order No. 1 for JAN100 Mega Site Fire Station in the sum of \$16,916.00 Mr. Slaughter made a motion to approve. After a second by Mr. Harris, the motion was unanimously approved.

Mr. Deason requested approval to award the Treated Wastewater Return Force Main to Hemphill Construction in the sum of \$1,081,125.82. Mr. Harris made a motion to approve. After a second by Mr. Slaughter, the motion was unanimously approved.

Mr. Deason requested approval of additional Clearing and Grubbing at JAN200 for Hemphill Construction in the sum of \$2,488,910. Mr. Harris made a motion to approve. After a second by Mr. Slaughter, the motion was unanimously approved.

Mr. Deason requested approval of Brasfield & Gorrie Change Order No. 1 for Beattie's Bluff WWTP Lagoon Cleaning in the sum of \$5,299,174.47. Mr. Luckett made a motion to approve. After a second by Mr. Harris, 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. Jones, made a motion to approve. After a second by Mr. Gardner, the following consent items were approved.

- a. Approval of AWS Funded Projects JAN100
  - i. Approval of Birdsong Construction Pay App No. 3 for Nissan Force Main Reroute for Andes Substation in the sum of \$348,840.66.
  - ii. Approval of Birdsong Construction Pay App No. 6 for Andes Substation Pad in the sum of \$245,205.38.
  - iii. Approval of Wages Civil Invoice No. 146 for Force Main Reroute for Andes Substation in the sum of \$32,205.83.
- b. Approval of AWS Funded Projects JAN200
  - i. Approval of Birdsong Pay App No. 7 JAN200 Costas Substation Pad in the sum of \$74,784.00.
  - ii. Approval of Birdsong Pay App No. 10 for JAN200 Buildings 1-4 Pads in the sum of \$649,114.62.
- c. Approval of State Funded Projects for Infrastructure Improvements
  - i. Approval of Neel-Schaffer Invoice No. 1102214 for Wastewater Treatment Facility in the sum of \$97,430.21.
  - ii. Approval of Malouf Construction Pay App No. 3 for JAN100 Mega Site Fire Station in the sum of \$50,913.31.
  - iii. Approval of Malouf Construction Pay App No. 5 for Mega Site Pump Station in the sum of \$349,395.94.
  - iv. Approval of Southern Rock Pay App No. 4 for Madison County Parkway East Road Extension in the sum of \$281,400.63.
  - v. Approval of Wages Civil Invoice No. 144 for Mega Site Pump Station in the sum of \$39,204.00.
  - vi. Approval of Wages Civil Invoice No. 145 for Madison County Parkway East Road Extension in the sum of \$10,050.00
  - vii. Approval of Wages Civil Invoice No. 147 for Old Yazoo City Road Improvements in the sum of \$73,815.00.
  - viii. Approval of Wages Civil Invoice No. 148 for Grey Water Return Line in the sum of \$40,031.38

- ix. Approval of Benchmark Invoice No. 27035 for JAN200 Fire Station in the sum of \$45,000.00.

There was a motion by Mr. Jones and a second by Mr. Harris 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. Jones and a second by Mr. Lockett 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. 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.

Chairman Gibert had to leave the meeting prior to adjournment and the meeting was adjourned at 9:52 a.m. by Secretary/Treasurer Harris.



Calvin Harris, Secretary/Treasurer



Gerard Gibert, Chairman