



**MERIWETHER COUNTY INDUSTRIAL
DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY**

**Official Minutes
June 11, 2018
4:00 p.m.
Conference Room
Meriwether County Administration Building**

Members Present: Robert Moreland; Rosla Plant; Allen Parham; Lee Taylor

Absent: Cheryl Moultrie

Staff: Jane Fryer, Velinda Walton

Others: Kevin Brown

Chairman Robert Moreland called the regularly scheduled monthly Meriwether County Industrial Development Authority Board of Director's meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. and welcomed everyone. Chairman Moreland led the group in the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

A motion was made by Vice-Chair Rosla Plant for approval of the June 11th, 2018, Agenda. Mr. Allen Parham seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Comments from Visitors and Guests: None

Approval of Minutes of May 14th, 2018 Meeting: A motion was made by Vice-Chair Plant for approval of the May 14th, 2018, meeting minutes and seconded by Mr. Lee Taylor. Motion carried.

Financial Report/Jane Fryer: Ms. Fryer presented and explained the Financial Report as of May 30th, 2018. Mr. Parham made a motion of approval of the Financial Report as presented and Mr. Taylor seconded the motion. Motion carried.

New Business/ Sale of Sewell Road Property: Ms. Fryer informed the Board that 23 acres located on Sewell Road sold. Ms. Fryer and Chairman Moreland suggested that we should consider purchasing more industrial property with the funds that was received from the sale. She emphasized that we need more land in order for us to attract more prospects in the future. Discussion on several pieces of property that may be viable for purchase was discussed among the Board.

Mr. Lee Taylor informed the Board that the President Theatre has received a donation of \$225,000 but the theatre group has to match this amount. Mr. Taylor asked the Board to consider a donation to the theatre. Discussion was held among the Board concerning the donation. At this point, the Board members feel like the IDA needs to invest in land or in an existing industrial project with the funds from the land sale.

Vice- Chair Plant suggested also that the Authority invest in additional industrial property. She also suggested that we move forward with two projects: (a) Use the funds to complete the paving of Meriwether Park Drive. (b) Assist in the cost of installing a 6" water line in Greenville North Industrial Park. Mr. Allen Parham suggested that we match the funds for the water lines at the Greenville North Industrial Park. Many ideas were discussed by the Authority Board concerning how to invest the funds from the sale of the 23 acres on Sewell Road.

Gene Reynolds Real Estate informed Ms. Fryer that the client who had put an offer on the 31 acres located on Sewell Road withdrew his offer due to the deed stating it must be used for industrial use. Attorney Kevin Brown and Ms. Fryer have been working on getting this issue solved. Mr. Reynolds stated he has other potential buyers looking at the property

Other Business: Ms. Fryer informed the Board of a suit filed against Meriwether County concerning the zoning for quarries. The County was asked to amend the zoning ordinance allowing rock quarry's to operate and the request was denied. A hearing will be held this week concerning the ordinance.

Ms. Fryer told the Board that Mr. Theron Gay asked her to obtain approval by the Meriwether County Industrial Development Authority for the Service Delivery Strategy Form 4 Certification. The IDA provides economic development services to the county and municipalities. Vice-Chair Plant made a motion to approve the Meriwether County Service Delivery Strategy Form 4 Certification as written and copy to be attached to the minutes of this meeting. Mr. Parham seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Attorney Brown stated that Dongwon may need to purchase more equipment and this could be a potential Bond issue of approximately 13 million dollars.

The next meeting will be held on Monday, July 9th, 2018, at 4:00 p.m., in the Conference Room at the Meriwether County Administration Building, Greenville.

There being no further discussion at this time, a motion was made by Mr. Taylor to adjourn the meeting and seconded by Mr. Parham. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by:

Velinda Walton, Secretary



Robert Moreland, Chairman