



**MERIWETHER COUNTY INDUSTRIAL
DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY**

**Official Minutes
September 12, 2022
4:00 p.m.
Meriwether County Administration Building
Conference Room**

Members Present: Rosla Plant; Danny Hosey; Mary Bray; Freddie Hines

Via Phone: Allen Parham

Staff: Jane Fryer, Velinda Walton

Others: Kevin Brown, Attorney, Seyfarth; Dr. Al Griffin, Superintendent of Meriwether County Schools; Michelle Irizarry, Meriwether County Administrator

Chairman Rosla Plant called the regularly scheduled monthly Meriwether County Industrial Development Authority meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. and welcomed everyone. Chairman Rosla Plant conducted the invocation and led everyone in the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Approval of Agenda: A motion was made by Mr. Danny Hosey for approval of the September 12th, 2022, Agenda. Mrs. Mary Bray seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes/August 8th, 2022: A motion was made by Mr. Freddie Hines for approval of the August 8th, 2022, meeting minutes as presented. Mr. Hosey seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Financial Report as of 08/31/2022/Jane Fryer: Ms. Fryer presented and explained the August 31st, 2022, Financial Statement to the Board. Vice-Chairman Allen Parham made a motion to approve the August 31st, 2022, Financial Statement as presented. Chairman Plant seconded the motion. Motion carried.

New Business/Approval of Budget 2022 – 2023: Ms. Fryer presented and explained the Meriwether County Industrial Development Authority's Proposed Operating Budget for October 1st, 2022 – September 30th, 2023, Budget. Discussion was held among the Board. Mr. Hosey made a motion of approval for the FY2022-2023 Budget, and Mr. Hines seconded the motion. Motion carried. Chairman Rosla Plant abstained from voting due to serving as a Commissioner on the Meriwether County Board of Commission.

Old Business /Jane Fryer:

- Cash Flow Projection for Ruby Powell Property, September 19, 2022 & Others: Ms. Fryer presented and explained a Meriwether County industrial Development Authority Projections on Cash Flow without any funds included from the monthly allowance from the County. The report showed properties that was purchased and sold during Fiscal Year 2021-2022.

Regarding the Ruby Earnest Powell property, Ms. Fryer stated the Realtor was very helpful in the Meriwether County IDA purchasing the property, the contract has been signed and potential closing date is September 19th, 2022.

- KB AutoSys: Ms. Fryer gave an update stating that they have been working on the ingress and egress turn lane for KB Autosys. Ms. Fryer and county leaders met with the property owners across the street from the facility and obtained signatures for the temporary easements. Waiting on the GDOT final approval of plans. Mr. Theron Gay will contact the Georgia Department of Transportation regional person to discuss the project. Ms. Michelle Irizarry, County Manager stated they are working on sending Request for Bids to the newspaper for bids on the ingress and egress lanes. On October 17th, 2022, a required pre-bid for contractors will be held and open bids on Thursday, October 27th, 2022. Michelle stated she sent an email to GDOT concerning the matter. After discussion, Chairman Plant made a motion of approval to proceed with the bid process for the driveway entrance, turn lanes, and roadway improvement for KB Auto System Project as presented in the RFP. Mr. Hines seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- Tamarack Development Sewer Easement: Motion was made in the August 8th, 2022, meeting to authorize Chairman Plant and Ms. Fryer to execute the documents between the Meriwether County Industrial Development Authority and Blue Creek Land, LLC, for an easement to provide sewer lines. The documents have been executed and ready for Blue Creek LLC to sign for Meriwether Development Land, LLC. (Tamarack). Blue Creek has not signed the agreement and they want monetary funding from Tamarack to sign. They have not reached an agreement at this time.
- Diverse Power Survey Revision: The property in Meriwether Park that Diverse Power is in the process of purchasing must have a survey revision and Ms. Cassandra Sharpe, Meriwether County Building & Zoning Director, informed Ms. Fryer that she has it in her office waiting to be approved and signed.

- Hospital Property: Ms. Fryer informed the Board the plans are still in place to purchase the 3.02 acres, situated along Lone Oak Road, from the Hospital Authority as soon as the title insurance is in place.
- Peach Healthcare: Ms. Fryer informed the Board that Peach Healthcare has signed a contract for the purchase of the property and the projected closing date is October 11th, 2022.

Comments from Guests: Dr. Al Griffin, Meriwether County School Superintendent gave an update stating the following: Hoping for a higher state assessment base line for FY2021-2022; hired a new Math teacher last week for Manchester High; The school system should be out of debt by April 2023; security is being placed in all schools and top priority is safety; SPLOST renewal is coming up and asking everyone to shop local and support SPLOST; Greenville High has plans for a track team and new track; and other projects are in the works.

Mrs. Stephanie Glenn, Workforce Development Director, with the Three Rivers Regional Commission discussed the goal of the Commission to serve people in the region by helping them to gain access to employment training opportunities and on the job training opportunities. They need business service managers and coordinators. A Grant is in the works for assistance.

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 11th, 2022, at 4:00 p.m. The meeting will be held in the Conference Room at the Meriwether County Administration Building.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned on a motion by Mr. Hines and seconded by Mrs. Mary Bray. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by:


Velinda Walton, Secretary


Rosla Plant, Chairman