

**Minutes**  
**May 13, 2024; 4:00 pm**  
**Meriwether County Industrial Development Authority**  
**Held in the Commissioner's Chambers**

**Members Present:**

Mary Bray  
Wanda Sims  
Allen Parham  
Rosla Plant  
Danny Hosey, by phone  
Kevin Brown, Attorney

**Others Present:**

Jarrod McCarthy, County Administrator  
Blue Cole, Assistant County Administrator  
Dawn Woodard, MCSS, CTAE Program  
Walter Burgess, MCSS  
Jodi Sharpe, Manchester Dev. Authority

The meeting was called to order by Chair, Rosla Plant. The Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation was given by member, Mary Bray.

The agenda was approved with a motion by Allen Parham and second by Mary Bray. After reviewing the minutes, a motion to approve as printed was made by Allen Parham with a second by Mary Bray.

The financial report was presented by Jane Fryer. After review, a motion to accept the report as presented was unanimously approved with a motion by Allen Parham and second by Mary Bray.

**Comments from Guests:**

Dawn Woodard and Walter Burgess discussed the recent field trips they made with 9 students from Manchester High School to Pratt and Whitney in Columbus. They took 8 students to Transys in West Point and Mando in the Meriwether Industrial Park. The students were very surprised to see how clean the plants were and how automated they were. They took a survey after the tours and had very different views of the plants after the tours than before they went.

Blue Cole discussed several grants he is working on that would help with funding of the new road in the industrial park and other projects the county has in the works.

Mr. McCarthy thanked the board for all the work we do.

**Old Business:**

Woncheun – They purchased 12.88 acres, and it will be in the May financial report.

Redmond Machinery – The company should purchase 13 acres as soon as they get all the documents finalized. The company is doing its due diligence on the 26 acres and should finalize that process in June.

KB AutoSys – The water/sewer authority engineer has received a permit to remove the water line so Piedmont Paving should be able to start construction again very soon.

New Road in Industrial Park - Bids should be out soon on the new road.

Mando Expansion – The Joint Development Authority of Meriwether County and the City of Hogansville will meet on May 16<sup>th</sup> to finalize approval of the documents.

**New Business:**

The only new business was a reminder of the JDA meeting on May 16<sup>th</sup> at noon at Roger's Restaurant in Hogansville.

**Other Business:**

A reminder of the work session on Monday, June 10 which will begin with lunch and go on until 4:30 or so was given. Please bring your ideas for future expansions with you.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:46 pm with a motion from Allen Parham and a second from Mary Bray.

Respectfully submitted,



Jane Fryer  
President

Rosla Plant  
Chairman