



DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
OF DAWSON COUNTY

**Development Authority of Dawson County
Special Called Meeting Minutes
June 12, 2020**

Location: Remote meeting via video conference due to Covid 19 Pandemic.

Attendees: Tony Passarello, Chair; Calvin Byrd, Vice-Chair; Jere Allen, Treasurer; Tara Hardwick, Secretary; Mike Ball, Brian Trapnell, Gary Coates; and Ex-Officios: Brooke Anderson, Chris Gaines, & Christie Moore. Betsy McGriff attending as Director of Economic Development.

Absent: Ex-officio Damon Gibbs.

Guests: Gary Hammond (Landbridge Development), Wendy Whittington, Chase Northcutt, David Williams, Tread Syfan (DADC Bound Counsel)

- 1. Call to Order.** Called to Order at 9:00 a.m. by Tony Passarello, Chair.
- 2. Approval of the advertised Location, Quorum & Attendance.** The Chair requested a motion that the meeting was being held in the duly advertised location, a quorum was reached, and board members were in attendance via telephone. Confirmation was made that the meeting was submitted to Dawson News & posted. Motion to approve advertised location, quorum and attendance was made by Mike Ball. Seconded by Calvin Byrd. Passed 7-0. Allen, Ball, Byrd, Coates, Hardwick, Passarello, and Trapnell in favor. None opposed.
- 3. Approval of the Agenda.** The Chair requested a motion on the draft agenda (previously provided to the Board electronically). Motion to approve the agenda was made by Mike Ball. Tara Hardwick suggested an amendment to strike Old Business from the agenda. Ball amended motion. Motion was seconded by Calvin Byrd. Passed 7-0. Allen, Ball, Byrd, Coates, Hardwick, Passarello, and Trapnell in favor. None opposed.

4. New Business

A. Peaks of Dawsonville Presentation – Landbridge Development

Tony Passarello introduced Landbridge Development team and provided a project background and overview. Gary Hammond, Principal, Landbridge Development provided details on the firm's goals and experience and project details. The project (located at 65 N 400 Center Lane in Dawsonville) timeline anticipates funding to close in Q4_2020 and construction to begin Q1_2021. The project is valued at \$16.8M total broken down into \$8.4M in tax exempt bonds provided through the Development Authority of Dawson county, a \$4M DCA HOME fund, and the balance from the sale of tax credits.

B. Resolution: Consideration of Resolution of Bond Inducement for Peaks of Dawsonville

Calvin Byrd moved to approve the Bond Inducement Resolution as presented. Gary Coates seconded. Motion passed 5-0. Hardwick, Allen, Coates, Byrd, Ball in favor. Trapnell absent. None opposed.

C. Resolution: Consideration of Resolution of Support for Application for EDA CARES Act Recovery Assistance Funding

Jere Allen moved to approve the Resolution as presented. Gary Coates seconded. Motion passed 4-0. Hardwick, Allen, Coates, Ball in favor. Byrd abstained. Trapnell absent. None opposed.

5. **Adjournment.** The Chair opened the floor to entertain a motion to adjourn the June 12, 2020 special called meeting. Mike Ball made a motion to adjourn the June 12, 2020 special called meeting. Gary Coates seconded the motion. Passed 7-0. Allen, Ball, Byrd, Coates, Hardwick, Passarello, and Trapnell in favor. None opposed. Meeting was adjourned at 10:32 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Tara Hardwick, Secretary

Attachments to these minutes on file: Agenda, Resolution of Bond Inducement for Peaks of Dawsonville, Resolution of Support for Application for EDA CARES Act Recovery Assistance Funding.