



DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
OF DAWSON COUNTY

Development Authority of Dawson County
Regular Meeting Minutes
April 4, 2023

Location: Meeting conducted at Chick-fil-A Corporate Offices, 4250 Dawson Forest Rd, East Conference room in Dawsonville, GA & simultaneously remote meeting via video conference.

Attendees: Jere Allen, Vice-Chair; Brian Trapnell, Chair; Tony Passarello, Treasurer; Dennis Fedoruk, Secretary; Dr. Carroll Turner, Lynn Jackson, Gary Vaughters and Ex-Officio(s): Dawson County Chamber of Commerce President & CEO Mandy Power.

Absent: None

Ex-Officious: Nicole Lecave, Dawson County Commissioner Chris Gaines, and Brooke Anderson.

Guests: Director of Economic Development, Kevin Herrit; Whitney Brown and Jackson O'Brien; Attorney, Butler Snow.

- 1. Call to Order.** Called to Order at 6:05 pm by Brian Trapnell, Chair.
- 2. Announcements.** None
- 3. 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 in person or via telephone/video. Confirmation was made that the meeting was submitted to Dawson News & posted. The motion to approve the advertised location, quorum, and attendance was made by Dr. Carroll Turner and Seconded by Jere Allen. Passed 7-0. Allen, Passarello, Trapnell, Vaughters, Fedoruk, Jackson & Turner are in favor. None opposed.
- 4. Approval of the Agenda.** The Chair requested a motion on the draft agenda (previously provided to the Board electronically). Motion to approve the agenda by Dr. Turner. Seconded by Jere Allen. Passed 7-0. Allen, Passarello, Trapnell, Jackson, Fedoruk, Vaughters & Turner are in favor. None opposed.

- 5. Approval of the Minutes.** The Chair opened the floor to discuss the regular meeting minutes of the March 7, 2023, meeting, as previously provided to the Board electronically motion by Dr. Turner to accept March 7, 2023, minutes as written. Ms. Jackson seconded the motion. Passed 7-0. Allen, Trapnell, Passarello, Jackson, Vaughters, Fedoruk & Turner are in favor. None opposed.
- 6. Financial Report.** Tony Passarello gave an overview of finances (see attached Balance Sheet & Statements of Revenues and Expenses). Motion made by Dr. Turner to accept the March 2023 Financial Report as presented. Motion seconded by Mr. Allen. Passed 7-0. Allen, Trapnell, Passarello, Jackson, Vaughters, Fedoruk & Dr. Turner are in favor. None opposed.
- 7. New Business.**
- A. Discussion and Approval of Supplemental Bond Resolution Terms for the Peaks of Dawsonville.** – The Development Authorities Attorney explained the procedure for setting a coupon rate for the Bond and approval of the 2023 issuance. Mr. Passarello inquired if the Dawson County Commissioners needed to approve anything related to this topic and Ms. Brown indicated that they did not. Dr. Turner made a motion to approve the adoption of the supplemental bond resolution regarding the issuance of the Authority’s revenue bonds for the Peaks of Dawsonville as written. The motion was seconded by Mr. Passarello. Passed 7-0. Allen, Trapnell, Passarello, Jackson, Vaughters, Fedoruk & Dr. Turner are in favor. None opposed.
- 9. Old Business.**
- A. None**
- 10. Economic Development Report.** President and CEO Ms. Power indicated that there was no update at this time due to the ongoing construction at the Chamber of Commerce Offices. Director Herrit sent out an email containing the PPT update slides previous to the meeting for review by the board (see attached report). No motions were made.
- 11. Ex-Officio Reports.**
- A. School Board** – None.
B. EWSA – None.
C. County Government – None.
D. Chamber of Commerce – None.
- 12. Executive Session.** None.
- 13. Adjournment.** The Chair opened the floor to entertain a motion to adjourn April 4, 2023, meeting. Mr. Vaughters made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Jackson seconded the motion. Passed 7-0. Trapnell, Passarello, Allen, Jackson, Vaughters, Fedoruk & Dr. Turner in favor. None opposed. The meeting was adjourned at 6:35 P.M.

Attachments to these minutes on file: Board Meeting Packet, Sign-in sheet, Agenda, Minutes from March 7, 2023, Regular Meeting, March 2023 Budget Balance Sheet & Statements of Revenue and Expenses, Economic Development Update.

Respectfully submitted,

Kevin L. Herrit, AICP, EDFP Director of Economic Development