

# **HENRY COUNTY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY**

## **MEETING MINUTES**

**July 14th, 2022**

### **I. CALL TO ORDER**

A meeting of the Henry County Development Authority (HCDA) was held on July 14th, 2022 at 125 Westridge Industrial Blvd., McDonough, Georgia in the Board conference room. Board members present were Irv Culpepper, David Linton, David Crow (telecom), Eddie Ausband, Charles Marshall, and Pierre Clements. Also, in attendance were Rod Meadows, Legal Counsel, and Sara Lithgow, Meadows, Macie & Morris, P.C; Josh Fenn, Executive Director, Adam Bartlett, Dir. of Business Development, Kelsea Morton, Executive Assistant, and Hadassah Nehikhuere, HCDA Summer Intern. At 8:02 a.m., Chairman Culpepper called the meeting to order.

### **II. CALL ROLL/QUORUM/NOTICE OF MEETING**

Chairman Culpepper asked for a roll call, which indicated the presence of a quorum, and verified that meeting notices were properly posted.

### **III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Chairman Culpepper asked if there were any changes or additions to the agenda as presented. Mr Meadows requested the inclusion of an executive session. Mr. Clements made a motion to approve the agenda as amended, and Mr. Linton seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

### **IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Chairman Culpepper asked if everyone had reviewed the Minutes of June 4th, 2022 and if there were any questions or comments. Hearing none, Mr. Linton I made a motion to approve the minutes and Mr. Ausband seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

### **VI. STANDING REPORTS**

#### **INVOICES/FINANCIALS/CORPUS**

Mr. Fenn reviewed the HCDA Consolidated Budget Statement ending June 30th, 2022 and noted the monthly and year-to-date balances for the HCDA County & Corpus budgets. Mr. Fenn explained the approved county budget increase for the 2023 fiscal year and offered to answer any questions from the Board. Hearing none, Mr. Marshall made a motion to approve the invoices, financials, and Corpus reports as presented. Mr. Ausband seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

### **STAFF REPORT**

Mr. Fenn formally introduced Miss Kelsea Morton, Executive Assistant to the Director, who transferred to the Henry County Development Authority from the Henry County Tax Commissioner's office.

### **Marketing Report**

Mr. Fenn remarks that August 18<sup>th</sup>, the Henry County Chamber of Commerce will host "Lunch with a Leader", in which Mr. Fenn has been asked to speak.

### **Established Industry Report**

An Established Industry Roundtable will be held July 14<sup>th</sup>, 2022, with the purpose of raising awareness to local industry of State funded training/education for employees. There are 27 local companies expected to attend. Mr. Fenn also discussed a "Made in Henry" video created to showcase Luxottica's work environment, as well as to showcase and bring awareness to products that are manufactured here in Henry County.

### **DISTRICT REPORTS**

D1: No Report

D2: No Report

D3: No Report

D4: No Report

D5: No Report

County at Large: No Report

### **VII. OLD BUSINESS**

No Old Business

### **VIII. NEW BUSINESS**

#### **Southern Crescent Technical College Invitational Golf Tournament**

Mr. Fenn requested a motion to sponsor SCTC's Drive "Fore" Education by donating \$1,000.00 and creating a four-person team, consisting of volunteer members of the Board. Mr. Ausband made a motion, and Mr. Linton seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

#### **Henry County Chamber of Commerce Golf Tournament**

Mr. Fenn requested a motion to sponsor Henry County Chamber of Commerce's 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Golf classic, recommending a \$1,500.00 donation. Mr. Ausband made a move, and Mr. Clements seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

#### **IX. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Chairman Culpepper accepted a motion to move into Executive Session for the purpose of real estate and legal amendments. Mr. Linton made a motion requesting personnel session, and Mr. Ausband seconded. The motion passed unanimously. Executive session was adjourned at 8:49 AM, with no action being taken.

#### **X. LEGAL MATTERS**

##### **1). Approval of easement for Loves**

Mr. Meadows explained the procedure moving forward and requested a motion to authorize authority. Mr. Linton made a motion, with Mr. Marshall seconding. The motion passed unanimously.

##### **2). Review and approval of revised MOU and Performance Accountability Agreement for REBA Grant project cycle**

Mr. Ausband made a motion to the board that the revised MOU and Performance Accountability Agreement be adopted, and Mr. Linton seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

##### **3). Briefing regarding HB 923 re: Study Committee and new ethics provisions for statutory development authorities vs. local legislation re: local ethic committee.**

Mr. Meadows detailed the changes discussed in the 2022 Georgia General Assembly in relation to Development Authorities, including the creation of a study committee that could potentially lead to additional legislations or restrictions, including HB 923 and its function regarding statutory authorities.

#### **XI. ADJOURN**

At 9:03 a.m., Mr. Crow made a motion to adjourn, and Mr. Linton seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

