## WHITE COUNTY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

DATE:	Tuesday, July 12 <sup>th</sup> , 2022
PLACE:	BOC Board Room
	1235 Helen Highway
	Cleveland, GA, 30528
TIME:	4:30 PM

Board members present were Michael Yarbrough, Michael Meuse, John Ziemer, Don Allison, Dustin Hulsey, and Ridley Kinsey. Board member not present was Joe Whelchel. Guests present were John Sell, Carl Free, and Jodi Ligon.

Chairman Yarbrough called the meeting to order and confirmed the quorum.

Chairman Yarbrough requested to add an item for discussion after the strategic plan update about a representative for the county economic group. No other changes were made to the agenda.

Motion to approve the minutes from May 10<sup>th</sup>, 2022 and May 19<sup>th</sup>, 2022 made by Mr. Kinsey and seconded by Mr. Allison.

Ms. Ligon presented the financial reports for May and June. Chairman Yarbrough stated that he and Mr. Ziemer, Secretary, would sign the checks for Thomas and Hutton at the meeting. Motion to approve the financials of May and June was not made.

Motion to approve the contract with the White County Board of Commissioners made by Mr. Hulsey and seconded by Mr. Alllison. Motion was unanimous.

Mr. Sell provided an update for the Strategic Plan, adding that the consultants will be sending a report by end of the month prior to September regular meeting presentation. Chairman Yarbrough explained he would like to have the board meet prior to the presentation by the consultants in order to have a detailed discussion about the report. Mr. Sell suggested holding the regular meeting in September and a called meeting for the consultant presentation. The board decided to hold the Regular Meeting for September as scheduled, with the addition of a Called Meeting September 20<sup>th</sup> at 4:30pm for the strategic plan presentation.

Chairman Yarbrough explained that he had spoken with Beth Truelove, President of the White County Chamber of Commerce, about the implementation of the strategic plan. He said it would be a joint effort between the relevant authorities and cities through the county. Yarbrough suggested nominating Don Allison as point person for the White County Stakeholder Group, which will have a meeting on July 27<sup>th</sup> at 11:00am at Valhalla Resort. Motion to nominate Don Allison as point person made by Mr. Hulsey and seconded by Mr. Ziemer. Motion was unanimous.

Mr. Sell provided an Economic Development update, including the addition of the new county manager Mike Renshaw and a new barbeque project. Mr. Sell stated there is no Joint Development Authority update.

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Ms. Truelove was not present to provide a White County Chamber update. Mr. Ziemer provided an update on the Water Authority, including the installation of 18 new meters in June, the early stages of a new well, pump repairs, and new lines for a small subdivision.

Motion to adjourn made by Mr. Kinsey and seconded by Mr. Meuse. Motion was unanimous.