



DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY OF
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Business Recruitment & Incentive Programs Committee

MEETING MINUTES – August 15, 2014

Center for Trade & Tourism
1000 Business Boulevard, Evans, GA 30809

Committee Members (those absent indicated with an asterisk (*))

Stan Shepherd, *Chairman*
Doug Duncan
Mark Wills

Mike Holliman*
Jean Garniewicz

Staff (those absent indicated with an asterisk (*))

Robbie Bennett, *Executive Director*
Karen Eyink, *Executive Assistant*

Guests Present:

No guests were present.

I. Call to Order & Welcome

Chairman Shepherd called the meeting to order at 7:30 a.m. for the Business Recruitment and Incentive Programs Committee

II. Reading and Approval of Agenda

Mark Wills made a motion to approve the August 15, 2014 agenda. Motion seconded by Jean Garniewicz. Motion carried.

III. Approval of Minutes

Mark Wills made a motion to approve the June 13, 2014 minutes. Motion seconded by Jean Garniewicz. Motion carried.

IV. Old Business

The SRS CRO sent the full \$200K grant money, which the DACC set up a new checking account – “SRS CRO Funds”. Robbie created a document named “SRS CRO Account Requirements” – Qualifications for Infrastructure Improvement Funds, Procedures for Processing Requests for Disbursement, and Documentation Requirements. The committee reviewed, discussed and amended the document with additional wording.

Jean Garniewicz made a motion to approve the amended “SRS CRO Account Requirements” document as written in reference to procedures for the withdrawal of funds. Mike Holliman seconded the motion. Motion approved.

V. New Business

Robbie presented to the committee potential projects that could be used for the SRS CRO funds, and the acreage that is available for those projects. Discussions included rail sites; Robbie toured the CSX training facility in Atlanta on August 14.

VI. Updates

Robbie gave an update on the \$50K funds from SRS CRO and expenditures for those funds.

- TechNet 2014 - The committee approved up to \$5,000 booth space. There are eight groups collaborating and each will contribute \$2000.
- DACC Website Development - \$8,750
- Economic Assessment - Partnering with the CC Chamber of Commerce - \$1,500

*Action Items:

- Send a list to the committee of prime properties that are available for office and industrial space.
- Set up a grant process for organizations/companies requesting assistance from the Development Authority.

VII. Calendar of Events

Information for the next Business Recruitment & Incentive Programs committee meeting will be forthcoming.

VIII. Adjournment

Chairman Shepherd adjourned the meeting.

Submitted by,

Robbie Bennett, CEcD
Executive Director
Development Authority of Columbia County