



DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY OF COLUMBIA COUNTY

Existing Business Development & Workforce Development Committee

MEETING MINUTES – August 26, 2013

Center for Trade & Tourism

1000 Business Boulevard, Evans, GA 30809

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

Phil Gaffney, Chairman*
Jean Garniewicz
Hugh Hollar

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

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

Guests Present:

None

I. Call to Order & Welcome

In the absence of Chairman Phil Gaffney, committee member Jean Garniewicz called the meeting to order at 7:40 a.m. for the Existing Business & Workforce Development Committee and stated the committee had a quorum.

II. Approval of Agenda and Minutes

Committee member Jean Garniewicz asked the committee to approve the August 26, 2013 agenda and minutes for the June 25, 2013 Existing Business & Workforce Development committee meeting. Motion made by Hugh Hollar. Jean Garniewicz seconded the motion. Motion carried.

III. Agenda Items and General Discussion

Discussions included an existing industry survey draft that Robbie created for businesses in the county. The survey is customized by various sectors i.e. manufacturing, retail and service. The committee reviewed the survey and made suggestions; the Development Authority will

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send the survey out shortly via email. Information received from the survey will help specify how best the Development Authority can help assist local businesses.

Old Business:

The committee is looking at hosting the existing industry luncheon at West Lake Country Club during the middle of October; the committee will coordinate a date.

Robbie mentioned he would attend the Augusta Regional Workforce Summit on September 5, the Development Authority's of Richmond, Burke and Columbia counties coordinate this event. The DACC is planning on creating a local industrial council, more information forthcoming.

New Business:

None at this time.

IV. Calendar of Events

The next Existing Business & Workforce Development committee meeting will be determined later.

V. Adjournment

Hugh Hollar made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Jean Garniewicz seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Submitted by:

Robbie Bennett, CEcD
Executive Director
Development Authority of Columbia County