



DACC Executive Committee		
October 16, 2024	7:34 AM	DACC Conference Room
Meeting called by	Chairman, Rick Evans called the meeting to order @ 7:34 AM.	
Type of meeting	Executive Committee Meeting	
Facilitator	Chairman, Rick Evans	
Note taker	Linda Peplau	
Adjourned	8:41 AM	
Attendees	Rick Evans, Stan Shepherd, Mark Wills & Jean Garniewicz	
Staff/Guests	Cheney Eldridge, Anita Patel, Stuart Hilsman & Linda Peplau	
Meeting Agenda		
1 minutes	Chairman, Rick Evans	
Discussion	Chairman Rick Evans calls for a motion to jointly approve the Agenda for the October 16, 2024, Executive Committee Meeting & the minutes for the September 13, 2024, Executive Committee Meeting.	
Conclusions	Motion: Stan Shepherd 2nd: Jean Garniewicz Motion carries unanimously (4-0)	
Action Items	Person Responsible	Deadline
None	N/A	N/A
Minutes of Previous Meeting		
0 minutes	Chairman, Rick Evans	
Discussion	See above.	
Conclusions	Motion: Stan Shepherd 2nd: Jean Garniewicz Motion carries unanimously (4-0)	
DACC Financial Report		
32 minutes	Treasurer, Mark Wills	
Discussion	<p>Treasurer, Mark Wills reports on the following in the financial reports:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gave a balance sheet overview on page 2. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Explained the "Other Current Assets" line item that reflects the \$200,000.00, deposit for escrow from Columbia County for the purchase of Tax Map Parcel Number 018 006. ○ The \$200,000.00 funds is reflective on the Assets & on the Liability line totals since it might have to be paid back to the county in a later time. ○ The \$200,000.00 was deposited into the Development M/M account and then withdrawn in a cashier's check payable to Hull Barrett for escrow holdings. ○ IGA discussion regarding the land purchase. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Cheney will review the terms. - Rick Evans suggest keeping the county commissioners aware of the agreed terms. • Page 5, county appropriations updates - new amount disbursement started last month (09.2024). Current amount is 136,896.21 for 3 months. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ FY2024's disbursement shortage will be received over the 12 months of FY2025. • Page 6, discussion about the Personnel-other line, in the amount of \$984.08 (hotel cost for Stuart Hilsman relocating from ATL). • Page 8, discussion regarding the Studies/Research (65001) line item in the amount of 6,300.00. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ ReSimplifi annual renewal fee in the amount of \$6,300.00. • Discussion on next year's budget as well as current year budget amendments. • Cheney Eldridge shares her proposal to revise the current categories/line items for a more seamless financial report going forward & the budget lines to fit expenses more accurately. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Changes will include adding a "Recruitment Projects" line item under Economic Dev. ○ Changes will separate White Oak business park expenses from operational expenses. • Discussion regarding SRSCRO funds reimbursements. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Anita Shares her correspondence with Robbie regarding the application process. 	
Conclusions	It was unanimously agreed upon, to present the draft to the Board at the next Board meeting for informational purposes only.	



Chairman's Report	
3 minutes	Chairman, Rick Evans
Discussion	Chairman, Rick Evans shares the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Board Retreat cancelation discussions. • Post hurricane Helene, regional & community cleanup efforts.
Economic Development Updates	
28 minutes	Executive Director, Cheney Eldridge
Discussion	Executive Director, Cheney Eldridge shared the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grand Oak tax bill that is under bond with EDACC. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Hull Barrett brought it to our attention that the tax bill has not been billed historically. ○ Cheney has met with the Tax Assessors office for future bond tax billing. ○ Rick Evans suggest keeping Leanne in Col.Co. finance informed with supporting documents. • Cheney shares the WierStewart marketing presentation. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The word "Economic" was added to our name to set us apart from other agencies. ○ Presentation slides were shown of the new look. • BE PRO BE PROUD (sponsorship 2,500.00 a day). <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Cheney reports that she would like for EDACC to be involved in sponsoring the BE PRO BE PROUD project in our community. ○ They provide a trailer with interactive gaming systems, to give students at a middle & high school level, exposure to a work trade through gaming, to get them interested in a specific trade. ○ Budget discussion on where this sponsorship would fit in the budget. ○ Discussed the possibilities of getting sponsorship reimbursement from SRSCRO. ○ The JA Center could be a possible parking location for the BE PRO BE PROUD trailer. • Board Retreat rescheduling discussions & options. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ It was discussed that moving the retreat to early next year might be best for everyone. ○ Supplies and GA Power's work force will be focused on restoration for months to come. ○ Aiming for February of 2025 for our new Retreat date. • Post hurricane Helene cleanup. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Cheney shares a picture of the fairground to show the tents, set up by GA Power. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Laundry station. - Sleeping trailers. - Supplies stations. - Food hall. ○ 12 Resource stations were set up around the area. ○ Cheney shares how proud she was to have White Oak/EDACC, as part of the cleanup efforts. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - She shares a picture of White Oak's debris mound with a chipper nearby to mulch the debris. ○ Anita reports on her efforts to update our website with resources to aid in the recovery. ○ Stuart is reaching out to our existing industries to support them in any way we can. ○ Anita shares details of the SBA loan disaster program (National Disaster Funds). <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Funds for commercial & residential owners. ○ Anita also shares detail about FEMA hub stations.



Calendar of Events	
3 minutes	Chairman, Rick Evans
Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• October 23, 2024 Board Meeting• November 08, 2024 Property Development Committee 7:30• November 08, 2024 Executive Meeting 8:30• November 08, 2024 Existing Business & Workforce Committee 9:30• November 20, 2024 Board Meeting
Adjournment 8:41 AM	
Conclusions	Chairman Rick Evans calls for a Motion to adjourn: Motion: Jean Garniewicz 2nd: Stan Shepherd Motion carries unanimously (4-0)
Next meeting: November 08, 2024 @ 8:30	Development Authority Conference Room