

# REGULAR MEETING MINUTES PUBLIC MEETING ROOM- CATOOSA COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING

800 LAFAYETTE STREET RINGGOLD, GEORGIA APRIL 11, 2017 4:00PM

### TIME AND PLACE OF THE MEETING

The regular meeting of the Catoosa County Development Authority/ Development Authority of Catoosa County was held on Tuesday April 11, 2017 at 4:00 pm in the Public Meeting Room of the Catoosa County Administration Building, 800 Lafayette Street, Ringgold, Georgia.

# **CALL TO ORDER**

Vice Chairman Mike Signiski called the meeting to order at 4:00 pm and established that a quorum was present. The following members were present: Tammy Cole, Rodney Crowe, Stephanie Dickert, Jim Emberson, Lisa Headrick, Rick Partain and Mike Signiski. *Randall Peters and Scott Smith were absent*.

# **AGENDA SETTING**

Additions: None Modifications: None Remove: None

#### **MINUTES**

Jim Emberson made a motion to approve the minutes of the regular EDA meeting held on March 14, 2017. Rick Partain second the motion. Vice Chairman Signiski called for all those in favor of approving the motion to indicate so by saying aye. There was no opposition and the motion was approved by unanimous consent.

# **OLD BUSINESS**

### **NEW BUSINESS**

# **REPORTS/ DISCUSSION**

**NORTHWEST GEORGIA JOINT DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY REPORT** Northwest Georgia Joint Development Authority Vice President Keith Barclift gave an update on the first Regional Manufacturer's Council Meeting. Three manufacturers and various community leaders attended the Catoosa County session. Keith also discussed the upcoming Southern Economic Development Council 2017 Conference that he will be attending to market our county and region.

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COORDINATOR REPORT** Economic Development Coordinator Katie Sponberger had two new economic development leads since the last EDA Board Meeting. Both were new businesses looking to move to Catoosa County. Katie also gave an update on Project Jump, stating that six construction companies showed up to the pre-bid meeting on March 29. In addition, Katie and representatives from GA Dept. of Economic Development and Georgia Northwestern Technical College conducted existing industry visits with Ringgold Telephone Company and Propex.

EXECUTIVE SESSION Vice Chairman Signiski stated the Authority would go into Executive Session for the purpose of Legal. Rick Partain made a motion to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of Legal. Rodney Crowe second the motion. Vice Chairman Signiski called for all those in favor of approving the motion to indicate so by saying aye. The Board unanimously voted to go into Executive Session for the purpose of Legal at 4:05 p.m. Tammy Cole made a motion to exit Executive Session. Rodney Crowe second the motion. Vice Chairman Signiski called for all those in favor of approving the motion to indicate so by saying aye. The Board voted unanimously to come out of Executive Session at 4:14 p.m.

# **OPEN SESSION**

**PROPOSED APPROVAL OF LETTER OF INTENT FOR PROJECT LVT2** EDA Attorney Chad Young stated the Letter of Intent is between the Development Authority of Catoosa County and Shaw Industries Group, Inc. for Project LVT2 which is an expansion of the original project, Project LVT. The Letter of Intent outlines the capital investment and job creation commitments from Shaw in exchange for tax abatements on real property and equipment.

Tammy Cole made a motion to approve the Letter of Intent for Project LVT2 and to authorize EDA Chairman to sign the Letter of Intent. Rodney Crowe second the motion. Vice Chairman Signiski called for all those in favor of approving the motion to indicate so by saying aye. There was no opposition and the motion was approved by unanimous consent.

### **ADJOURN**

Jim Emberson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Rick Partain second the motion. Vice Chairman Signiski called for all those in favor of approving the motion to indicate so by saying aye. There was no opposition and the motion was approved by unanimous consent. The meeting adjourned at 4:16 p.m.