



REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, AUGUST 13, 2024 at 4:00 PM
THE COLONNADE
264 CATOOSA CIR., RINGGOLD, GA 30736

TIME AND PLACE OF THE MEETING

The regular meeting of the Catoosa County Development Authority/Development Authority of Catoosa County (EDA) was held on August 13, 2024 at 4:00 PM at The Colonnade located at 264 Catoosa Circle, Ringgold, GA 30736.

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Rick Partain established that a quorum was present and called the meeting to order at 4:01 PM.

- ❖ The following board members were present: Rick Partain, Mike Signiski, Stephanie Dickert, Ray Johnson, Katie Sponberger, Jim Cutler, Paul Lee
- ❖ The following board members were absent: None
- ❖ The following ex officio members were present: Jeff Long, Chuck Harris, Vanita Hullander, Marissa Brower, Amy Jackson
- ❖ The following staff were present: Dan Wright, Rachel Clark, Meghan Trusley, Chad Young, Spencer Hogg
- ❖ The following guests were present: None

AGENDA SETTING

PROPOSED APPROVAL OF AGENDA FOR REGULAR MEETING ON AUGUST 13, 2024

Additions: None. **Modifications:** None. **Remove:** None. *Stephanie Dickert made a motion to approve the presented agenda of the Regular EDA Meeting held on August 13, 2024. Mike Signiski seconded the motion. Chair Partain called for all those in favor of approving the agenda to indicate so by saying aye. There was no opposition, and the agenda was approved by unanimous consent.*

MINUTES

PROPOSED APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL CALLED EDA MEETING HELD ON JULY 23, 2024

Stephanie Dickert made a motion to approve the minutes of the Special Called EDA Meeting held on July 23, 2024. Jim Cutler seconded the motion. Chair Partain 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

None.



NEW BUSINESS

None.

REPORTS/DISCUSSIONS

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Catoosa County Chamber of Commerce President and CEO Amy Jackson informed the board of the upcoming Networking at Lunch event the Chamber will be hosting at the Colonnade on August 22nd. The Guest Speaker is the President and CEO of the Georgia Chamber, Chris Clark. The Georgia Chamber have never had someone speak at a Catoosa event in Jackson's time as the President/CEO.

COLLEGE AND CAREER ACADEMY

From Here to Career! Career Academy CEO Marissa Brower informed the board that the Academy will be hosting the Thrive Regional Partnership State of Freight Forum on August 20th. They are also hosting an AI in Manufacturing Workshop with iWORQ on September 27th. Brower has been speaking with companies that have hired Academy graduates and has received glowing reports on the graduates who are now active members of the Catoosa County workforce.

NORTHWEST GEORGIA JOINT DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

Spencer Hogg gave a verbal report regarding the recent activities of the Northwest Georgia Joint Development Authority. He informed the Board that Catoosa remains busy and that site visits are ongoing. The Chairman and Clerk of the Board hosted a company at the Business Park at the end of July, and activity remains strong on that site, among others.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Stephanie Dickert made a motion to enter Executive Session for the purposes of Legal and Real Estate discussions. Mike Signiski seconded the motion. Chair Partain 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 board entered Executive Session at 4:07 PM.

Stephanie Dickert made a motion to exit Executive Session. Jim Cutler seconded the motion. Chair Partain 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 board exited Executive Session at 4:38 PM.

OPEN SESSION

None.



ADJOURN

Stephanie Dickert made a motion to adjourn. Mike Signiski seconded the motion. Chair Partain 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 board adjourned at 4:40 PM.

Officer Approval of Minutes

Name 

Position Chairman of ECEDA