THOMASTON-UPSON COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 28, 2022 BOARD MEETING CITY/COUNTY MEETING ROOM

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Lonnie Joyce Matt Smith Steve Rush, Chairman J. D. Stallings Chase Fallin

OTHERS PRESENT

Kyle Fletcher, Executive Director Billy Maddox, Stand-in Attorney Susan Hill, Office Manager

GUESTS

Dave Piper, WTGA Radio Jimmy Williams, DCC Construction- Zoom

CALL TO ORDER,

Meeting was called to order at 4:00 PM, by Steve Rush, Chairman

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A <u>MOTION</u> was made by Mr. Fallin, seconded Mr. Joyce and approved to go into Executive Session. This motion was unanimously approved by the following, which were present; Mr. Rush, Mr. Joyce, Mr. Smith, Mr. Fallin and Mr. Stallings.

A **MOTION** was made by Mr. Fallin seconded Mr. Joyce and approved to exit Executive Session.

A <u>MOTION</u> was made by Mr. Joyce, second by Mr. Fallin and approved to rescind the original MOU for Project Green Future and Nation Green Building Suppliers.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A <u>MOTION</u> was made by Mr. Joyce seconded by Mr. Fallin, and approved to accept the October 24, 2022 board minutes.

APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL REPORT

A $\underline{\mathbf{MOTION}}$ was made by Mr. Joyce, seconded by Mr. Fallin, and approved to accept the October financial reports.

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BUSINESS

1. Director's Report

Mrs. Fletcher had a WebEx meeting with SCTC Leadership and economic development directors in our region. SCTC will be unveiling a Teacher Externship program next year which will get them in local industries during the summer. There will be spaces for 3 teachers from each county and SCTC is asking the development authorities to pay \$2000 a year to sponsor teachers from their county. We will be participating for 3 years for a total of \$6,000.

Mrs. Fletcher attended a conference on "Innovating Georgia's Workforce Pipeline" in Athens Nov. 2-3. They focused on inclusive hiring (disabled citizens, former prisoners). They also stated that for every person unemployed, there are 3 available jobs for that person. They also discussed how COVID redefined how people want to work.

2. <u>Authorizing Transferred Certificate of Deposits to Bid Winner of RPF</u>

A **MOTION** was made by Mr. Joyce, second by Mr. Fallin and approved to purchase a \$500,000.00 CD from United Bank who bid came in at 4.6% for a 12- month term.

3. <u>Update on Holiday Inn Express</u>

Mr. Joyce gave an update on the status of the Holiday Inn Express project. The board outlined a few items and concerns that IDA will address to Charles H. Gilbert, CFO, McLeRoy Inc.

- •The agreement between the IDA and Thomaston Hospitality has a deadline of no later than December 31, 2022, to keep this project active.
- •If the McLeRoy team decides not to pursue the Holiday Inn Express at 1068 N Hwy 19, the Thomaston-Upson IDA would entertain purchasing the site (for fair market value).

OTHER BUSINESS

The next board meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, December 13, 2022 at 10:00 A.M. at the Thomaston-Upson County Airport.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at 5:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Elisabeth K. Fletcher