

THOMASTON-UPSON COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY MINUTES OF THE
OCTOBER 23, 2023 BOARD MEETING CITY/COUNTY MEETING ROOM

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Anne Massengale
Steve Rush
Chase Fallin
Norman Allen

OTHERS PRESENT

Johnnie Caldwell, Attorney
Susan Hill, IDA Office Administrator

GUESTS

Dave Piper, WTGA Radio

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order at 4:00 PM.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A **MOTION** was made by Mr. Fallin, seconded by Ms. Massengale and approved to accept the September 25, 2023 Minutes.

FINANCIAL REPORT

A **MOTION** was made by Mr. Fallin, seconded by Ms. Massengale and approved to accept the September Financial Reports.

OLD BUSINESS:

Discussion and Possible Consideration of Holiday Inn Express Incentives

A **MOTION** was made by Mr. Allen, second by Mr. Fallin, and approved to **TABLE** the McLeRoy project until our annual meeting on January 22, 2024, unless reason to discuss. Two city's board members (Mr. Stallings and Mr. Joyce) are not in attendance in this meeting. The city is discussing incentives and potential hotel development in the downtown area. McLeRoy has asked for reimbursement for hotel/motel taxes that the city receives via tax commissioner.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Green Georgia Agreement Extension

A **MOTION** was made by Mr. Allen, seconded by Ms. Massengale and approved to extend Green Future for 180 days from the expired date of November 27, 2023. The revised deadline is May 25, 2024. This is the company 3rd request of an extension.

2 National Green Building Suppliers' Agreement Extension

A **MOTION** was made by Mr. Allen, seconded by Mr. Fallin and approved to extend NGBS for 180 days from the expired date of November 27, 2023. The revised deadline is May 25, 2024. This is the company 3rd request of an extension.

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3. Update and Discussion on Economic Development Consultants

Mr. Rush open the discussion on the Pendleton Group and Three Points Planning-Gaskins LeCraw; the consultants that presented suggestions on how they can assist us in developing a comprehensive and collaborative plan customized for our community last month. Mr. Fallin stated that his opinion of Lynn Patterson, with Three Points Planning was more in focus with our customer base. Ms. Massengale expressed the Pendleton Group was knowledgeable and had the experience and contacts. Mr. Rush stated that making a selection at this time, we need to understand a fee structure on an annual basis and based on their scope of what they are providing needs to be known. Cost has not been presented. A **MOTION** was made by Mr. Allen, seconded by Ms. Massengale and approved to **TABLE** until the November 27, 2023 meeting until the two-board member are in attendance.

OTHER BUSINESS

Ms. Massengale asked for an update on the Senior Center's request to use/purchase the 2018 Ford Explorer, which the IDA owns. Mr. Allen said he will talk to the county and city about an offer from them on the vehicle.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A **MOTION** was made by Mr. Allen, seconded Ms. Massengale and approved to go into Executive Session. This motion was unanimously approved by the following, which were present; Mr. Rush, Mr. Fallin, Mr. Allen and Ms. Massengale.

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

The next board meeting is scheduled for Monday, November 27, 2023 at 4:00 P.M.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 5:25 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,



Chase Fallin, Secretary