THOMASTON-UPSON COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 26, 2024 BOARD MEETING CITY/COUNTY MEETING ROOM

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

J. D. Stallings
Chase Fallin
Anne Massengale
Lonnie Joyce
Jennifer Rogers
Norman Allen

OTHERS PRESENT

Johnnie Caldwell, Attorney Susan Hill, IDA Office Administrator Bart Gobeil, Platform Strategies Ben Brooks, Smith, Gambrell & Russell Attorney

GUESTS

Dave Piper, WTGA Bridge Turner, Upson Beacon

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order at 4:00 PM.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A <u>MOTION</u> was made by Mr. Joyce seconded by Ms. Massengale and approved to accept the January 22, February 5th and 13th 2024 minutes.

FINANCIAL REPORT

A <u>MOTION</u> was made by Mr. Joyce seconded by Ms. Massengale and approved to accept the January 2024 financial reports.

BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

1. <u>Discussion of Updated Flyer of Thomaston-Upson Industrial Park</u>

The board decided to keep McIntosh Parkway in place, and add the parcels as they were for that section and add the donated parcel to the park's marketing flyer.

2. Discussion and Possible Consideration of Audit Firm for the 2023 Audit

Mr. Joyce reported to the board that Rashell Adams, Driver, Adams & Sharpe wanted to bid on the IDA audit for 2023. They will honor the original 2023 audit fee proposal that was provided to Upson County in April. Mr. Joyce wanted to keep the audit firm local. The engagement letter will be from Fulton & Kozak, there is a contractual arrangement whereby the audit will be F&K's. They will have no issue to have the audit ready by June 31, 2024.

A <u>MOTION</u> was made by Mr. Allen, seconded by Ms. Massengale and approved to authorize the chairman to sign the engagement letter for the IDA 2023 audit in the amount of \$5,450.00 from Fulton & Kozak.

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3. <u>Discussion and Consideration for Funding Support for Thomaston Mills Fire Suppression System</u>
A <u>MOTION</u> was made by Mr. Joyce, seconded by Mr. Allen and approved to <u>TABLE</u> the request from Thomaston Mills for 30 days. Questions was asked concerning the proper procurement procedures and that we do not this property; non does the IDA want the liability of a fire suppression system? The board has requested a company's representative to discuss their plan.

OTHER BUSINESS

EXECUTIVE SESSION

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

A MOTION was made by Mr. Allen seconded Ms. Massengale and approved to exit Executive Session.

The next board meeting is scheduled for Monday, March 25, 2024 at 4:00 P.M.

<u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

The meeting was adjourned at 5:20 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Anne Massengale, Secretary