

**THOMASTON-UPSON COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY MINUTES OF
THE DECEMBER 15, 2025, BOARD MEETING CITY/COUNTY MEETING ROOM**

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Chase Fallin, Chairman
Dan Brue
Jennifer Rogers
Josh Rabalais
J. D. Stallings
Slade Gulledge, Executive Director

OTHERS PRESENT

Johnnie Caldwell, Attorney
Susan Hill, 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. Stallings seconded by Mr. Rabalais and approved to accept the November 17th, 2025, minutes.

FINANCIAL REPORT

A **MOTION** was made by Mr. Brue, seconded by Mr. Rabalais, and approved to accept the November 2025 financial reports.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Director's Report

Mr. Gulledge will not give a formal "Director's Report" every month. Any questions by the board concerning his written report will be answered.

CD# xxxx1243 earned interest in the amount of \$23,190.49 in 2025. The CD was redeemed and deposited into operating account **8045 on 12/16/25 in the amount of \$574,136.24. at an interest rate of 4.95% in the Peoples Bank of Georgia.

2. Georgia Rural Site Development Grant Discussion

The board has decided to move forward with the 1GA Rural Site Development Initiative Grant (RSIDI) application for the Central GA Business Park. The amount awarded is up to two million dollars, with at least a 10% match of grant amount.

RSIDI provides grants to local entities (like development authorities) to prepare land for economic development, making it "development-ready" with essential infrastructure (grading, roads, utilities) to attract businesses, especially to rural areas.

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3. Allen-Smith Grant Writing/Administration Agreement

A **Motion** was made by Ms. Rogers, seconded by Mr. Rabalais and approved to engage Allen-Smith Consulting for their grant writing/administration services for the Georgia Rural Site Development Grant. The grant will be applied by the upcoming April 10, 2026, deadline, and will need to turn the pre-app in by early March at the latest.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A **MOTION** was made by Ms. Rogers, seconded Mr. Brue and approved to go into Executive Session. This motion was unanimously approved by the following, which were present, Ms. Rogers, Mr. Stallings, Mr. Brue, Mr. Fallin, and Mr. Rabalais.

A **MOTION** was made by Ms. Rogers, seconded Mr. Brue and approved to exit the Executive Session.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 4: 30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Slade Gulledge". The signature is somewhat abstract and stylized.

Slade Gulledge, Secretary