



WALKER COUNTY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

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Andy Arnold (Chair)
Max Morrison (Vice-Chair)
Jim Cole (Secretary/Treasurer)
Evitte Parrish

Mark Chandler
Shannon Whitfield
Stephanie Watkins (Executive Director)

Minutes of the Regular Meeting **September 13, 2022**

- I. Call to order at 10:00 a.m. by Andy Arnold**
Present: Chair Andy Arnold, Vice Chair Max Morrison, Secretary/ Treasurer Jim Cole, Mark Chandler, Evitte Parrish, and Executive Director Stephanie Watkins. Others present: see attached sign-in sheet.
- II. Invocation given by Evitte Parrish**
- III. Approval of the Agenda**
Motion: Evitte Parrish made a motion to approve the agenda, seconded by Jim Cole, 4 ayes and 0 nays, motion carried.
- IV. Approval of Minutes**
 - A. August 9, 2022**
Motion: Evitte Parrish made a motion to approve, seconded by Mark Chandler, 4 ayes and 0 nays, motion carried.
- V. Financial Report**

Jim Cole presented the August financial reports. He stated that there were no expenditures to report and that the account balance as of August 31, 2022 is \$1,869,199.03.

Motion: Mark Chandler made a motion to approve, seconded by Max Morrison, 4 ayes and 0 nays, motion carried.
- VI. Executive Director's Report**

Executive Director Stephanie Watkins stated there is continued interest in the Walker County Business Park and as a result we have received and responded to several requests for information over the past several months.

Mrs. Watkins stated that since our last meeting, we received three new requests for information for the Walker County Business Park and submitted the Northwest Georgia Business & Industrial Park as a potential site location for a project.

Executive Director Watkins stated that she continues to visit with exiting industries throughout the County and has a couple of existing industry visits planned for next week.

Lastly, she mentioned attending the National Brownfields Conference and her plans to attend the GEDA Annual Conference.

A copy of the Executive Director's Report is attached.

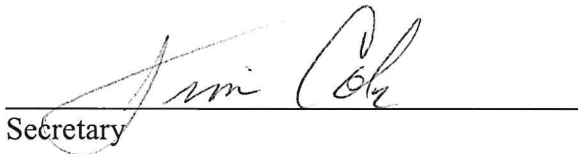
VII. Authorization and Execution of MOU and Performance & Accountability Agreement for Project Yesteday (Roper Corp) EDGE Grant

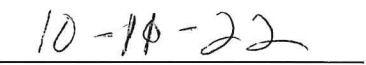
Executive Director Stephanie Watkins stated the MOU and Performance & Accountability Agreement for the EDGE grant for Project Yesterday/Roper Corp mentioned at the last meeting had been finalized and were ready for board approval.

Motion: Max Morrison made a motion to authorize the Walker County Development Authority Chair Andy Arnold to sign the MOU and Performance & Accountability Agreement for the EDGE grant, seconded by Mark Chandler, 4 ayes and 0 nays, motion carried.

VIII. Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 10:14 a.m.


Secretary


Date

Minutes prepared by: Executive Director, Stephanie Watkins