

HARDEE COUNTY  
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (EDA)  
**(INDEPENDENT BOARD)**  
COUNTY COMMISSION CHAMBERS  
412 WEST ORANGE STREET, ROOM 102  
WAUCHULA, FLORIDA 33873  
FEBRUARY 01, 2011 8:30 A.M.

**MINUTES**

**Members:**

David Royal, Vice-Chairman, P  
Bill Beattie, P  
Kenny Miller, P  
Derren Bryan, P  
Roger Hood, P

Bridget Merrill, P  
Perry Knight, P  
Bill Lambert, Chairman, P  
Terry Atchley, P

County Attorney Ken Evers, P  
Office Manager Sandy Meeks, P

County Manager Lexton H. Albritton, Jr., P

Chairman Lambert called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

**MOTION by Royal, second by Atchley** to approve the agenda. **Motion carried unanimously.**

**MOTION by Royal, second by Merrill** to approve the December 21, 2010, regular meeting minutes. **Motion carried unanimously.**

- I. Welcome & Introduce new member Derren Bryan representing the Chamber of Commerce and Kenny Miller representing the Phosphate Council.

Chairman Lambert welcomed/introduced the new members Kenny Miller and Derren Bryan. They advised they were looking forward to serving on the board.

- II. Elect new Officers.

County Attorney Evers opened the floor for nominations for Chairman and Vice Chairman. **MOTION by Atchley, second by Knight** to leave the leadership as it is with Bill Lambert as Chairman and David Royal as Vice Chairman. **Motion carried unanimously.**

- III. Michael Carter, Partner and Trisha M. Floyd, Audit Senior, The NCT Group CPA's, LLP – Present Financial Statements for period ending 09/30/10.

Chairman Lambert introduced Mike Carter and Trisha Floyd from The NCT Group. Mr. Carter handed each board member the Audited Financial Statements and Independent Auditor's Report for period ending 09/30/10. He touched on the high spots of the report and advised there were no problems with the audit. **MOTION by Atchley, second by Hood** to accept the audit report as presented. **Motion carried unanimously.**

- IV. Acknowledge receipt of e-mail from Farm Bureau reappointing David Royal for a three year term.
- V. Acknowledge receipt of letter from the Florida Phosphate Council, Inc., appointing Kenny Miller of C.F. Industries to the Board for a three year term.
- VI. Acknowledge receipt of letter from the Chamber of Commerce appointing Derren Bryan to the Board for a three year term.
- VII. Acknowledge receipt of letter from the Hardee County Board of County Commissioners reappointing Bill Lambert as the At Large – Commission Appointment and Perry Knight as the Commission Appointment – Seat 9. Both of these terms will be for three years.

**MOTION by Atchley, second by Merrill** to acknowledge receipt of letters from items 4, 5, 6, and 7. **Motion carried unanimously.**

- VIII. Acknowledge receipt of the Clerk’s Financial Report for period ending 12/31/10.

Chairman Lambert asked if there were any questions. He touched on the projects that were drawing their funds and the projects that were awarded last cycle. Miller advised he was trying to discern the amount left for disbursement. County Manager Albritton provided each member with a worksheet that provides the amount estimated for disbursement. **MOTION by Atchley, second by Royal** to acknowledge receipt of the Clerk’s Financial Report for period ending 12/31/10. **Motion carried unanimously.**

- IX. Acknowledge receipt of the Project Status Reports from the Industrial Development Authority, Town of Zolfo Springs, and the Hardee County Board of County Commissioners.

**MOTION by Knight, second by Miller** to acknowledge receipt of the Project Status Reports from the Industrial Development Authority, Town of Zolfo Springs, and the Hardee County Board of County Commissioners. **Motion carried unanimously.**

- X. Discuss next meeting date.

After discussing options, the Board agreed to have their next meeting on May 24, 2011, at 8:30 a.m.

XI. Public Comment.

Merrill touched on what was happening in Tallahassee.

Miller advised he would like to know what type of projects the Board had awarded and the current status and how many jobs were being created. County Manager Albritton advised there had only been Infrastructure projects awarded. The board then touched on how jobs were being created from the infrastructure projects.

**Meeting adjourned at 8:55 a.m.**

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William R. Lambert, Jr., Chairman