

HARDEE COUNTY  
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (EDA)  
(INDEPENDENT BOARD)  
COUNTY COMMISSION CHAMBERS  
412 WEST ORANGE STREET, ROOM 102  
WAUCHULA, FLORIDA 33873  
August 25, 2015 8:30 a.m.

**MINUTES**

**Members:**

David Royal, Chairman, P  
Linda Roberson, P  
Kenny Miller, P  
Stanley Pelham, P

Donna Doubleday, Excused  
Terry Atchley, P  
Sue Birge, Vice-Chairman, P  
Steven Southwell, P

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

County Manager Lexton H. Albritton, Jr., P

David Royal led the invocation followed by the pledge to the flag.

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

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

**MOTION by Pelham, second by Miller to approve the minutes for the regular meeting on June 11, 2015, at 8:30 a.m. Motion carried unanimously.**

**AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION –The Herald Advocate – 07/30/15 & The Florida Administrative Weekly 08/04/15.**

- i. Acknowledge receipt of the Clerk's Financial Reports for periods ending 09/30/14, 05/31/15, 06/30/15, and 07/31/15.

**MOTION by Birge, second by Pelham to acknowledge receipt of the Clerk's Financial Reports for periods ending 09/30/14, 05/31/15, 06/30/15, and 07/31/15. Motion carried unanimously.**

- ii. Acknowledge receipt of Reimbursement requests from the Hardee County Industrial Development Authority (IDA) for the Incubator Project (Cycle 11) in the amounts of \$5,550.56, \$6,225.30, \$84,714.23, \$44,628.88, \$8,501.38, \$19,336.08, \$48,120.23, \$7,784.52, and \$6143.94. City of Bowling Green (Cycle 10) in the amount of \$5,736. IDA for the Water Sewer Corridor in the amounts of \$24,975.20 and \$3,105.25. Economic Development Council (EDC) in the amount of \$45,000.00

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Atchley asked about the EDC's amount being less. Sandy Meeks, Office Manager explained they had to reduce it for the retainage.

**Motion carried unanimously.**

- III. Review draft budget for FY 2015/2016.

Chairman Royal explained they would have to come back and meet again for final approval.

- IV. Motion to approve the amended Job Creation Grant Application.

Chairman Royal reminded the board this was just the final step in approving all the grant applications. **MOTION by Pelham, second by Atchley** to approve the amended Job Creation Grant Application. **Motion carried unanimously.**

- V. Motion to approve the amended Infrastructure Grant Application.

**MOTION by Pelham, second by Atchley** to approve the amended Infrastructure Grant Application. **Motion carried unanimously.**

- VI. Motion to approve the amended Economic Development Grant Application.

**MOTION by Roberson, second by Pelham** to approve the amended Economic Development Grant Application. **Motion carried unanimously.**

- VII. Motion to approve the amended Joint Grant Application.

**MOTION by Miller, second by Pelham** to approve the amended Joint Grant Application. **Motion carried unanimously.**

- VIII. Review and approve Cycle 12 timeline.

**MOTION by Birge, second by Roberson to approve the Cycle 12 Timeline.** Southwell asked if this was sufficient time for applicants to get questions answered. Chairman Royal explained Staff was very good about working with the applicants on any questions they had. County Manager explained once the application was turned in, the Board can always request more information and requests any changes be made. **Motion carried unanimously.**

IX. Public Comment.

The Board decided the next meeting date would be September 22, 2015, at 8:30 a.m.

Mr. Bill Lambert, Economic Development Director gave a brief update on all the current projects and explained everything was going well.

Atchley asked the Board to think about the Quick Closure Fund for the EDA.

**Meeting adjourned at 8:50 a.m.**

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'D. Royal', with a large circular flourish at the end.

David Royal, Chairman