

**DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY OF CLAYTON COUNTY,
REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY OF CLAYTON COUNTY,
AND
URBAN REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY OF CLAYTON COUNTY**

MINUTES OF REGULAR SESSION MEETING

TUESDAY, AUGUST 11, 2020

The regular session meeting of the Development Authority of Clayton County, Redevelopment Authority of Clayton County, and Urban Redevelopment Agency of Clayton County was held on Tuesday, July 14, 2020, at 6:00 p.m., in the Lake City Community Center, 5471 Jonesboro Road, Lake City, Georgia.

Members present at the meeting were Regina Deloach, Chair; Herman Andrews, Vice-Chair; Jean-Claude Bourget, Secretary/Treasurer (by telephone); Sylvester Ford, Assistant Secretary/Treasurer; Deborah Green; Larry Vincent; Michelle Fuqua (by telephone); and Randy Burton. Also present were Authority counsel, M. Michelle Youngblood (by telephone); Erica Rocker-Wills; and members of the public.

Call to Order and Welcome of Guests

Chair Deloach called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and welcomed the guests

Approval of Agenda

Chair Deloach presented the agenda and inquired as to whether there were any additions, changes, or deletions. There was a request to add a sponsorship request from the Southern Crescent Women in Business. After a general discussion, upon motion by Sylvester Ford, seconded by Larry Vincent, it was unanimously:

RESOLVED: To approve the agenda as amended.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the July 14, 2020 regular session were presented. After a general discussion, upon motion by Deborah Green, seconded by Regina Deloach, it was unanimously:

RESOLVED: That the regular session minutes be and hereby are approved as presented.

The minutes of the July 14, 2020 Executive session were presented. After a general discussion, upon motion by Jean-Claude Bourget seconded by Deborah Green it was unanimously:

RESOLVED: That the executive session minutes be and hereby are approved as presented.

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The minutes of the July 28, 2020 special called meeting were presented. After a general discussion, the minutes of the special called meeting were tabled until the next meeting.

Approval of Treasurer's Report

Herman Andrews presented the Treasurer's report. He reported that the Authority's operating account opened the month with a beginning balance of \$4,985,620.89 and ended the month with a closing balance of \$4,951,415.00. After a general discussion, upon motion by Jean-Claude Bouget, and seconded by Deborah Green it was unanimously:

RESOLVED: That the Treasurer's report was approved.

Project Report

Outgoing Interim Executive Director Erica Rocker-Wills reported that the FinTech Symposium at Clayton State University has been postponed until 2021. The Lidl grocery store opened in Jonesboro; this is a project for which the Authority issued bonds. She provided a recruitment package to Tesla Automotive and site information to five other prospects. There was a reception to bid farewell to outgoing interim Chamber President Page Estes and to welcome the new Chamber President, Valencia Williamson. Work continues on Census 2020, including preparations for Census Day in Clayton County.

OLD BUSINESS

5. Census 2020 Update

Herman Andrews reported that Clayton County is currently at 56% response rate, which is lower than the response rate at this time in the 2010 (57%). The state is at 63% response rate. The deadline originally was October 31, but now has been pushed up to September 30, 2020. The County receives funding based on number of residents, approximately \$6.7 million over 10 years, so it is vital that everyone responds to the census and do everything possible to encourage other residents to respond. Chairman Turner has prepared a video to encourage residents to respond. Commissioner Franklin Warner includes a reminder in all of her newsletters. Churches are being asked to make reminder announcements in services. Other initiatives are in the works to encourage residents to respond.

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NEW BUSINESS

6. Southern Crescent Women in Business

Chair Deloach called on Sylvester Ford to discuss a sponsorship request from Southern Crescent Women in Business. After a general discussion, upon motion by Herman Andrews, seconded by Larry Vincent it was:

RESOLVED: That the Authority tabled the matter to allow Chair Deloach to discuss the matter with the Finance Committee. Vote 6-0-2 (Sylvester Ford, Randy Burton opposed).

OTHER BUSINESS

1. Executive Session

Chair Deloach noted the need to have an executive session for the purpose of discussing real estate and personal matters. Upon motion by Herman Andrews, seconded by Larry Vincent, it was unanimously:

RESOLVED: That the meeting be adjourned into executive session for purposes of discussing personnel matters.

Whereupon, the meeting adjourned into executive session at 6:40 p.m.

The open meeting reconvened at 7:23p.m.

2. Consideration of Items, if any, Discussed in Executive Session

Upon motion by Herman Andrews seconded by Randy Burton, it was unanimously:

RESOLVED: To compensate Erica Rocker-Wills for her service as interim Executive Director from February 11, 2020 – July 28, 2020 in the amount of an additional \$12,000.00.

Ms. Rocker-Wills addressed the Board, expressing her belief that compensation in the amount of \$15,000.00 would be more commensurate with the additional duties she performed as Interim Executive Director. Chair Deloach will discuss the matter with the Finance Committee.

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Chair Deloach inquired as to whether there was any additional business to come before the Board. There being no further business to come before the Board, upon motion by Regina Deloach, seconded by Sylvester Ford, it was unanimously:

RESOLVED: That the meeting be adjourned.

Whereupon, the meeting adjourned at 7:57 p.m.

Jean-Claude Bourget, Secretary/Treasurer

-or-



Sylvester Ford, Assistant Secretary/Treasurer