



## **REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

**800 LAFAYETTE STREET**

**RINGGOLD, GEORGIA**

**FEBRUARY 9, 2016 4:00PM**

### **TIME AND PLACE OF THE MEETING**

The regular meeting of the Catoosa County Development Authority/ Development Authority of Catoosa County was held on Tuesday February 9, 2016 at 4:00 pm in the Conference Room of the Catoosa County Administration Building, 800 Lafayette Street, Ringgold, Georgia.

### **CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Randall Peters called the meeting to order at 4:05 pm and established that a quorum was present. *The following members were present: Roger Bowman, Raymond Clark, Rodney Crowe, Stephanie Dickert, Jim Emberson, Noah Nichols, and Randall Peters. Michael Signiski and Scott Smith were absent.*

### **AGENDA SETTING**

**Additions:** None

**Modifications:** None

**Remove:** None

### **MINUTES**

*Jim Emberson made a motion to approve the minutes of the regular EDA meeting held on January 12, 2016. Rodney Crowe second the motion. Chairman Randall Peters called for all those in favor of approving the motion to indicate so by saying aye. There was no opposition and the motion was approved by unanimous consent.*

### **OLD BUSINESS**

**EDA WORK PLAN** Economic Development Coordinator Katie Thomason passed out the amended EDA Work Plan. No one had any additional suggestions. The Work Plan will be revisited after the EDA Board Retreat.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

**EDA BOARD RETREAT** Economic Development Coordinator Katie Thomason informed the Board that she, along with Chairman Peters and Vice- Chairman Bowman, had been planning a one day retreat, located outside Catoosa County, to determine future projects, goals and direction of the EDA. Elyse Davis of Georgia Power will be facilitating the retreat. The Board determined late April would be the best date to have the retreat.

### **REPORTS**

**PROJECT UPDATE** County Attorney Chad Young explained that the appraisal on the property the EDA is in the process of purchasing (off Rollins Industrial Court in Ringgold) came back at \$250,000 which is \$30,000 over purchase price. Since the appraisal has been received, the EDA can proceed with closing on the property. In addition, we are awaiting a property survey from a Prospect so the Board can approve the plans.

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COORDINATOR REPORT** Economic Development Coordinator Katie Thomason stated that in regards to the EDA land at the corner of Nashville and Sparks Street in Ringgold, due diligence will end in April 2016. Engineering work is in progress and construction should begin this summer. Ms. Thomason attended a Chamber

Business Development Committee meeting and a Chamber Leads Group meeting where she did a presentation on the EDA. She also attended the Georgia Power regional networking luncheon held in Carrollton, GA. In addition, she represented Catoosa County at the GEDA monthly luncheon held at the State Capitol, and traveled with the Armour's, County officials and EDA Chairman to Bradley County, TN where they learned about economic development in the area. She also met with Carl Campbell, Executive Director of Dalton-Whitfield JDA and Stephanie Scarce, GDEcD Regional Project Manager.

**ADJOURN**

***Rodney Crowe made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Stephanie Dickert second the motion. Chairman Peters called for all those in favor of approving the motion to indicate so by saying aye. There was no opposition and the motion was approved by unanimous consent. The meeting adjourned at 4:28 p.m.***