HART COUNTY INDUSTRIAL BUILDING AUTHORITY

MINUTES OF MEETING

April 9, 2018

Hart County Library, 159 Benson Street

Hartwell, Georgia

5:00 pm

The quarterly meeting of the Hart County Industrial Building Authority for March 26, 2018 was adjourned for lack of a quorum and continued until Monday, April 9, 2018 was held at 5:00 pm in the meeting room of the Hart County Library on Benson Street in Hartwell, Georgia.

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 pm by Chairman Bill Leard. Other authority members attending were: Doug Cleveland, Joey Dorsey and Kevin McCraney. Mayor Brandon Johnson joined the meeting at 5:05 pm. Others attending were Robert E. Ridgway, Jr., Attorney; Economic Developer, Dwayne Dye; County Manager, Terrell Partain; M. S. Smith, Secretary/Treasurer and Michael Isom of The Hartwell Sun.

On a nomination by Mr. Cleveland and seconded by Mr. Dorsey, Bill Leard was unanimously re-elected as Chairman of the Authority. On a nomination by Mr. Leard and seconded by Mr. Dorsey, Doug Cleveland was unanimously elected as vice chairman. On a nomination by Mr. Leard and seconded by Mr. Cleveland, M. S. Smith was unanimously elected as Secretary/Treasurer.

The minutes of the December 11, 2017 had been e mailed to each member. The minutes were approved on a motion by Mr. Cleveland and seconded by Mr. McCraney.

The financial report was approved. Mr. Dorsey asked that in future, he would like to see SPLOST commitments reported. Mr. Dye said he would provide this information.

Mr. McCraney reported for the Chamber of Commerce that the Antique Boat Show will be held April 21; Cars and Guitars in May; BRAG and Wet and Wild in June.

Mr. Dorsey stated that he had been contacted about the lack of proper lighting at the entrance of Gateway I.

Mayor Johnson reported that a demolition hearing would be held soon in reference to property

under contract to Taco Bell.

Chairman Leard asked the authority to approve two additions to the agenda:

Documentation regarding ARC Sewer Line Grant

Georgia Power Placement of cabinets at Gateway III

Mayor Johnson made a motion to add these additional items to the agenda, Mr. Cleveland seconded this motion and it passed.

There was no old business

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Dye explained the Ratification of Contract with W&A Engineering on Extension of Hamburg Avenue and made available drawings for members to review. This was approved on a motion by Mayor Johnson and seconded by Mr. Cleveland. The motion passed.

Mr. Cleveland made a motion to appoint Ridgway & Ridgway, LLP as counsel to the Authority. Mr. Dorsey seconded this motion and it passed unanimously.

Mr. Dorsey made a motion to appoint Burch, Crooms, LLP as auditors for the Authority. Mayor Johnson seconded this motion and it passed unanimously.

Unanimous approval was given for the renewal of the Archway Partnership MOU on a motion by Mayor Johnson and seconded by Mr. Cleveland.

Mr. Ridgway reviewed the Authority Lessees’ Annual Reports in reference to insurance certificates, filing of ad valorem taxes etc. He asked for a motion to issue a deed to Milbro as that obligation has been fulfilled. Mr. Cleveland made this motion, Mayor Johnson seconded it and the motion passed.

Mr. Dye gave a review of the Gateway III Sewer Lift Station Project. A motion to ratify this pre application was made by Mr. Cleveland, seconded by Mayor Johnson and passed.

The resolution passed in December of 2017 pertaining to a Memorandum of Understanding and Application for an EDGE Grant for Nestle was discussed in reference to the need for an additional resolution and different application form. On a motion by Mayor Johnson and seconded by Mr. Cleveland, approval was given to make this change.

Placement of Georgia Power cabinets on Gateway III was discussed. A motion by Mayor Johnson and seconded by Mr. Cleveland to approve this placement was passed. Mr. McCraney abstained from voting on this motion.

Mr. Ridgway discussed a proposed Addendum to the Georgia Mountains Regional Commission to extend the term of the OneGeorgia Edge Grant Administration Agreement to March 31, 2019. A motion to accept this Addendum to the Agreement was made by Mr. Cleveland and seconded by Mayor Johnson. The motion passed.

Mr. Dye reported interest and activity is still healthy. He stated that the Purina distribution center is expected to open mid-year with a small ribbon cutting in May or June and a larger event later.

Mr. Dye gave a brief update on the progress on the Haering project. He commented on the recent GCMMA conference where he had a part on the program.

The next meeting was announced for June 25, 2018. The meeting adjourned at 5:50 pm.

M. S. Smith

Secretary