

**DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY OF THE CITY  
OF JEFFERSONVILLE AND TWIGGS COUNTY  
REGULAR MEETING**

January 28, 2016

**6:30 P.M.** Development Authority Office

**PRESENT:** Mr. Jerry Fincher, Chairman; Mr. Cecil Fountain Jr., Vice-Chair; Mrs. Cindie Nobles, Secretary-Treasurer; Mr. Eddie Stephens, Mr. Walt Ashby, Mr. Derrick Height and Mrs. Louise Wimberly, Board Members. Mrs. Judy Sherling, Executive Director, Mr. Kevin Brown, Attorney.

**VISITORS:** Jonathan Connell of the Middle Georgia Regional Commission and Mrs. Annie Williams, Jeffersonville City Council, were present as visitors.

**MINUTES:** Mr. Ashby made a motion to approve the minutes as presented with a second by Mr. Stephens. During discussion, a typographical error was noticed and Mrs. Nobles then made a motion to approve the minutes as corrected with a second by Mr. Height. Unanimous Vote. Motion Carried.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Mr. Stephens made a motion to approve the December 31, 2015 Treasurer's Report as presented. Mrs. Wimberly seconded. Unanimous Vote. Motion Carried.

**APPOINTMENTS:** Jonathan Connell presented a progress report for the EQUITY grant application and stated that a Preliminary Engineering Report (PER) will be required to receive the grant funds. He noted that having the PER done prior to submission of the application will give better chances of approval of the grant request. An engineering firm will be required to do a PER. Mr. Ashby made a motion to have the Middle Georgia Regional Commission prepare a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) to include proposals (RFP) on behalf of the Authority. We will then submit the application in April instead of February 5. Unanimous Vote. Motion Carried.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**TELEMEDICINE** - Mrs. Sherling reported on the meeting held earlier in January concerning the Telemedicine proposal. Dr. Jean Sumner of Mercer University has stated that Mercer would purchase the kits for Twiggs County. At the meeting in January, Carla Belcher of Community Health Care Systems proposed that they could hire the EMTs and also house them behind their Twiggs center. The last remaining expense item is the cost of purchasing a vehicle and stocking it. The Twiggs County Commission chair stated earlier in the day during a regional planning meeting that the county will apply for a grant to purchase the ambulance. Further updates on progress will be given to the Authority as they become available.

**TRAINING** - Mrs. Sherling reported that there will be a Side Bar Training Session sponsored by Seyfarth Shaw at the end of February in Warner Robins. This will be a free training to satisfy the continuing education for board members. Those who should attend include Mrs. Wimberly, Mrs. Nobles, Mr. Stephens and Mrs. Sherling. Additionally, Mr. Ashby and Mr. Stephens attended the MGEA Sales Training session along with Mayor Williams and Mrs. Annie Williams from the city and Mrs. Sherling as the staff member. Mr. Fincher, Mrs. Wimberly and Mr. Height will begin the Georgia Academy of Economic Development on Feb. 2.

**CITY OF JEFFERSONVILLE** - The Mayor and Council has requested that the three city representatives on the Authority attend the Feb. 8 City Council to report on what efforts are being made on behalf of the city. Mrs. Nobles, Mrs. Wimberly and Mr. Height will attend that meeting with Mrs. Sherling.

**ONGOING BUSINESS:**

**SIGN QUOTES** – A quote from Helton Electric was presented totaling \$1,100 for lighting on both sides of the sign. Any additional work needed will be quoted before the work will be done. Mrs. Nobles made a motion to

accept the quote unless a lower price can be found by Mr. Ashby. Mr. Fountain seconded. Unanimous Vote. Motion Carried.

**GDOT OFFER** – there has been no further response to our requests for a negotiated price for the land. The Authority will await further information before taking action.

**AUDIT LETTER** – Mr. Ashby made a motion to have Mrs. Nobles sign the Audit Letter of Engagement from Mauldin & Jenkins for the 2015 audit. Mr. Height seconded. Unanimous Vote. Motion Carried.

**GAED** – as mentioned in the section on TRAINING, three members of the Authority will attend the training beginning Feb. 2, 2016.

**OFFICERS** – February 25, 2016 will be the annual meeting of the Authority and officers will be elected for the coming year.

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT:**

**PROJECT IMPORT** - Actions required for the project involving real estate acquisition will be discussed in closed session.

**207 BULLARD** - One possible prospect remains but this prospect might also want to look at Hollingsworth plans.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

Mr. Fountain made a motion to enter Executive Session for purposes of personnel, real estate or legal advisement. Mr. Height seconded. Unanimous Vote. Motion Carried. The Authority entered executive session at 7:44 PM.

The Authority returned to Open Session at 8:09 PM. There were no action items coming from Executive Session.

**ADJOURN:**

Mr. Stephens made a motion to adjourn. Mrs. Wimberly seconded. Unanimous Vote. Motion Carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:10 PM.

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Mr. Jerry Fincher, Chairman

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Mrs. Cindie Nobles, Secretary-Treasurer