

Rome-Floyd County Development Authority

800 Broad Street, Suite 102

Rome, GA 30161

Tuesday, May 17, 2022 – 10:00 AM

Minutes

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Jimmy Byars	Wright Bagby (via Zoom)
John Cothran	Sundai Stevenson
Kenna Stock	Andy Davis, Attorney
Missy Kendrick, President	

OTHERS PRESENT:

Sammy Rich (City of Rome), Bruce Ivey, (Floyd County), Heather Seckman (RFCDA), Mary Grace Davis (RFCDA), JR Davis (RFCDA), Doug Walker (City of Rome), John Bailey (RNT)

CERTIFICATE OF MEETING NOTICE

Andy Davis certified the meeting notice and that a quorum was present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

The minutes for the April 19, 2022, meeting were presented for approval. Sundai Stevenson made the motion to approve and John Cothran seconded. Stevenson, Cothran, Byars and Stock voted in favor.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Missy gave the financial report. She noted on the balance sheet comparison, total assets increased from \$2,510,608.04 to \$3,329,880.80. Total liabilities have reduced to \$15,723,004.37. On the profit and loss statement, the net operating income is still negative but will improve in October when PILOT fees are invoiced. The increase in total expenses is due to having new employees from a year ago, hospital property expenses, and GDEcD board meeting. The 2021 audit should be ready by the June meeting. Kenna Stock made the motion to approve the financials and Sundai Stevenson seconded. Stock, Stevenson, Byars and Cothran voted in favor.

ACTIVITY/PROSPECT REPORT

NW Georgia Regional Hospital Property – Grant Updates

1. City of Rome approved the rezoning application, and the property is now zoned Heavy Industrial with conditions.
2. Appalachian Regional Commission – Missy reported that the authority will hear from the ARC in the fall on the planning grant submitted.
3. Environmental Protection Agency – Missy reported that the RFCDA received the \$500,000 Assessment Grant. The money will be used for asbestos assessment at the hospital property, along with other environmental testing for other sites.
4. J.R. Davis gave activity update – Mower has been delivered and still waiting on the trailer.

Enterprise Corner – Grant Updates

1. Appalachian Regional Commission – Missy reported that the planning grant application has been submitted.

2. **Imagine Music Festival** – Missy reported she is working on a lease agreement with Imagine Music Festival to lease the barn and land around the barn for the month of September as a space for staff and vendor check-in.

North Floyd Industrial Park – Wetlands/Detention Pond – Mr. Bruce Ivey reported that the detention ponds, previously asked about by Lowe’s and specifically related to the pond maintenance, were owned by the county and that they would be put into the county’s schedule for inspections, maintenance and approval.

Shared Services Agreement – Andy Davis and Scott Smith are working on the agreement for the Development Authority of Floyd County to pay monthly for shared services.

Prospect Activity – Missy reported that prospect activity remains heavy.

Hillman Group – Sundai Stevenson made a motion to approve the bond resolutions and documents for Hillman Group in an amount not to exceed \$3,000,000.00 for machinery and equipment, and for MDH F2 ATL Shannon, LLC in an amount not to exceed \$34,000,000.00 for construction of a building for the Hillman Group. John Cothran seconded. Stevenson, Cothran, Byars and Stock voted in favor.

GDEcD Visit – Missy stated that the GDEcD Board of Directors enjoyed their visit to Rome on May 11-12, 2022 for their board meeting. The meeting was held at the Marriott Riverwalk and there was a panel discussion about Logistics and Supply Chain Trends. The next day, the board members and guests chose either an industry tour of Kerry, or a historic trolley tour of downtown.

FAM Tour - RFCDA will host a familiarization tour of all economic development sites and projects in Rome and Floyd County on June 9th. Local board members of all development authorities, city commission, county commission, city and county school boards, along with a couple of other representatives will be invited.

Georgia Power FAM Tour - Missy reported that Georgia Power and Statewide Project Managers are visiting Rome/Floyd County on June 22, 2022 for a FAM tour for the new project managers.

LEASE UPDATE

Details of lease are being finalized and the meeting space for RFCDA has been reserved. Lease change will be \$500 more per month.

CEMETERY DONATION

Bruce Ivey said the survey is complete and the plat was submitted. There are a few remaining small changes and then the property will be rezoned to Suburban Residential.

MEETING ADJOURNED

Sundai Stevenson made a motion to adjourn the meeting and John Cothran seconded. Stevenson, Cothran, Byars and Stock voted in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Doc Kibler, Secretary