

**A G E N D A**  
**HARDEE COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL**  
**REGULAR MEETING**  
**TUESDAY, JULY 14, 2009 9:00 A.M.**  
**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OFFICE**  
**107 EAST MAIN STREET, WAUCHULA, FLORIDA**

Council:     **Rick Justice-Chairman**  
                  **John Barlow-Vice Chairman**     Dana English                     Lavon Cobb  
                  Marcus Shackelford             Jama Abbott                     Paul Samuels  
                  Nancy Craft                     Lory Durrance                     Mike Manley  
                  Joe Albritton                     Rick Knight                     John O’Neal  
                  Keith Davis                     Jim See

Director William Lambert  
County Attorney Ken Evers

**Chairman Justice – Call to Order.**

**MINUTES FOR APPROVAL:**  
**Tuesday June 9, 2009**  
**Copy of Minutes provided**

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

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**DIRECTOR’S REPORT-Bill Lambert**

- Tab 1  
**A.**             Roadmap to Florida’s Future: Meeting the Challenges of Rural Economic Development  
  
                  Copy of presentation provided  
  
                  **ACTION RECOMMENDED:** No action required.
- Tab 2  
**B.**             Contract for services with Bob Miscavage  
  
                  Copy of Agreement for Professional Grant Writing provided  
  
                  **ACTION RECOMMENDED:** No action required.
- Tab 3  
**C.**             Emergency Management: Hazardous Mitigation Project Development Workshop  
  
                  **ACTION RECOMMENDED:** No action required.

**MARKETING REPORT**

Tab 4

- A.** Loop Net: Update on internet hits  
Copy of Listing Activity Report provided.

Tab 5

- B.** Loop Net: Revised listing

Tab 6

- C.** Website Update

**FINANCE REPORT-Mike Manley, Sarah Pelham**

Tab 7

- A.** Finance Report  
Copy of Monthly Financial Report provided.

**ACTION RECOMMENDED:** Motion to approve financial report.

**COUNTY ATTORNEY KEN EVERS**

**OTHER BUSINESS**

**COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL MEMBERS**

**ADJOURN**

**PLEASE NOTE THAT THE ABOVE APPOINTMENT TIMES MAY BE ADJUSTED AS DEEMED NECESSARY UNLESS IT IS AN ADVERTISED PUBLIC HEARING.**

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*Hardee County Economic Development Council  
Regular Meeting Minutes  
June 9, 2009*

Attendees: Rick Justice-Chairman, John Barlow-Vice Chairman, Jama Abbott, Lavon Cobb, Keith Davis, Lory Durrance, John O'Neal, Marcus Shackelford, Rick Knight, Mike Manley, Paul Samuels, Nancy Craft, Bill Lambert, Ken Evers, Sarah Pelham

Absent: Dana English, Jim See, Joe Albritton

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Rick Justice at 9:00 am.

Minutes: A motion was made by Rick Knight and was seconded by Nancy Craft to approve the May 12, 2009. Motion approved.

Agenda: A motion was made by John Barlow and was seconded by Paul Samuels to approve the agenda with the addition of FHREDI holding voting to possibly change the priority of HWY17 to HWY 80. . Motion approved.

**Director's Report**

Discussion NHIL:

Moving along in the process. NHIL reps are scheduled to be in town at the end of week for more discussion. The bottled water scenario will be discussed at that time. Bill Lambert will keep the board updated of any progress.

EDA grants application process:

Applications are due by July 2 with grants being awarded on September 22. Applications submitted are:

City of Wauchula 3 applications, 1 ALF infrastructure application  
City of Bowling Green 1 application  
City of Zolfo 1 application  
IDA 2 applications

There is still the \$1.5 million allocated for the insurance company. The airport is still in the picture as well. Mosaic is tied up with Van Fleet.

HamelTronic Report: Still working towards the best scenario. The grant may get lost however. Looking at other ways to fund project. Any information that comes available will be divulged.

Budget 2009-2010: A copy of the new budget was provided. The EDC will make a presentation to the Board of County Commissioners sometime in late July early August for next years funding.

### **Marketing Report**

Loop Net Report: The board reviewed the attached Loop net report in the packet. A marketing committee meeting will be scheduled in the next couple of weeks to discuss revamping listing.

### **Finance Report**

Finance Report:

A motion was made by John Barlow and seconded by Rick Knight to accept the Financial Report. Motion approved.

There was no other business to come before the board. A motion was made by Rick Knight and seconded by John Barlow to adjourn the meeting. Meeting was adjourned.