

**A G E N D A**  
**HARDEE COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL**  
**REGULAR MEETING**  
**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2009 AT 9:00 AM**  
**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OFFICE**  
**107 EAST MAIN STREET, WAUCHULA, FLORIDA**

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

Director William Lambert  
County Attorney Ken Evers

**Chairman Justice – Call to Order.**

**MINUTES FOR APPROVAL:**  
**Tuesday, September 8, 2009**  
**Copy of Minutes provided**

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

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Tab 1

**Election of Officers:**

**ACTION RECOMMENDED:** Board Approval.

Tab 2

**Director’s Report:**

1. Update NHIL
2. Update on Solar
3. USF Polytechnic
4. Inside Business Report
5. WSI Presentation: Steven Southwell /Bo Conerly
6. Other

Tab 3

**Budget FY 2009-2010 Presentation:**

**ACTION RECOMMENDED:** Board Approval.

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

Tab 4

**Finance Report** (including Final FY2008-2009)

Copy of Monthly Financial Report provided.

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

Tab 5

**Discuss payment to Alen, Morton & Blue PA**

**ACTION RECOMMENDED:** Board approval

**COUNTY ATTORNEY KEN EVERS**

**OTHER BUSINESS**

**COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL MEMBERS**

**ADJOURN**

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*Hardee County Economic Development Council  
Regular Meeting Minutes  
September 8, 2009*

Attendees: Rick Justice – Chairman, John Barlow-Vice Chairman, Lavon Cobb, Keith Davis, Lory Durrance, Jim See, Joe Albritton, Marcus Shackelford, Rick Knight, Mike Manley, John O'Neal, Nancy Craft, Bill Lambert, Ken Evers, Sarah Pelham

Absent: Paul Samuels, Jama Abbott

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

Minutes: A motion was made by John Barlow and was seconded by Mike Manley to approve the August 10, 2009 minutes. Motion approved.

Agenda: A motion was made by John Barlow and seconded by Keith Davis to approve the agenda with the addition of a Director's Report. Motion approved.

**Director's Report**

Bill Lambert led a discussion regarding EDA funding, the WSI application (Landfill) and meat processing plant.

Apollo Solar Energy Company: Bill Lambert, Lory Durrance, Rick Justice, Jim See and Rick Knight spoke about their trip to Taiwan. Bill went over the company's letter of intent. Each member of the group discussed their perspective on the trip. The meeting was successful and the Taiwan individuals will be coming to Hardee County for a visit in the next couple of weeks.

There is some concern from the board regarding government restrictions here compared to the Taiwan government.

The company has plans to continue developments in the Eastern Hemisphere, but wants to expand into the United States.

A Marketing Committee meeting will be called to discuss the itinerary for their visit. A schedule of sites to visit should be developed.

**Marketing Report**

Loop Net Report: The board reviewed the attached Loop Net report in the packet.

**Finance Report**

Finance Report:

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

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