

A G E N D A
HARDEE COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY NOVEMBER 10, 2009 AT 9:00 AM
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OFFICE
107 EAST MAIN STREET, WAUCHULA, FLORIDA

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

Director William Lambert
County Attorney Ken Evers

Chairman Justice – Call to Order.

MINUTES FOR APPROVAL:
Tuesday, October 13, 2009
Copy of Minutes provided

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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Tab 1 Director’s Report:

- A. Jawahar Pavasias: Jeruz Energy Presentation
- B. Dick Kanter: CETC Presentation
- C. USF Polytechnic Building Lease
- D. Broadband Grant

Tab 2 **Budget FY 2009-2010 Presentation:**

ACTION RECOMMENDED: Board Approval.

FINANCE REPORT-Mike Manley, Sarah Pelham

Tab 3

Finance Report

Mike will be providing the financials at the meeting.

ACTION RECOMMENDED: Motion to approve financial report.

COUNTY ATTORNEY KEN EVERS

OTHER BUSINESS

COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL MEMBERS

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

Hardee County Economic Development Council
Regular Meeting Minutes
October 13, 2009

Meeting called to order at 9:02 by Rick Justice, Prayer by Marcus Shackelford
Motion to approve minutes by Barlow, 2nd by Knight: approved
Motion to approve agenda by Barlow, 2nd by Shackelford: approved with addition of Tab 2A – Fred Ford
Election of Officers:
Chairman: John Barlow
Vice Chairman: Joe Albritton
Sec/Treasure: Mike Manley
Calendar for 2009 – 2010 was approved with meeting dates set
Heard a report by Mr. Fred Ford that another site for the airport we had been pursuing in Hardee County was being considered for a site in a different County. An emotional Mr. Ford regretted Hardee County's apparent inability to secure a site certain for the pursuit of continue. Mosaic and Van Fleet are still attempting to resolve issues so that a site can be made available in Hardee.
Heard a report from Director Lambert on NHIL with a consensus by the EDC to continue pursuit of NHIL.
Heard a report from Director Lambert regarding Hardee County being designated as a homeopathic "enclave" for persons practicing and seeking homeopathic/naturopathic forms of health care.
Heard a report on continuing development of Solar panel manufacturing in Hardee County as well as working with USF Polytech and Dr. Marshal Goodman on all forms of alternative energy for this area of the State. Discussion included the establishment of a leaning center in downtown Wauchula followed with an "entrepreneurial" center for increase in business development.
Heard a report from the Marketing Committed presenting Hardee County on "Inside Business Report." This will be developed over the next 90 days.
Heard a presentation from Tim Salapec, Steven Southwell, and Bo Conerly on WSI proposal to construct a Regional Landfill in Hardee County in the SE corner of county off of 10 Mile Grade.
Approval of Budget: Tabled for additional review by Mr. Manley and advance receipt by EDC members prior to the next meeting. (Samuels, motion and Shackelford, 2nd)
Finance Report: tabled subject to Manley review of apparent "double" booking of an undisclosed line item. Issue to be resolved or corrected prior to next presentation. (Knight, motion and O'neal 2nd)
Motion by Cobb, 2nd by Shackelford to pay Allen, Norton and Blue, Labor attorney annual payment for one more year. Review necessity of continuation of payment at next year's cycle.