

Bullock County Development Authority
Regular Session Meeting
February 2, 2021

The Bullock County Development Authority held its regular meeting on Thursday, February 2, 2021 at 5:00 PM at the Richard Stone Complex and via teleconference (Dial-In Number: 701.802.5491; Access Code: 7850591#), with Vice-Chairman Cope Lawrence presiding. Roll Call was taken by Meagan Faulk.

Members Present

Marsha Moffett
Cope Lawrence
Lawrence Penn
Roderick Clark
Melma Gillis

Members Absent

LaDerrick Caldwell
Thomas Main

Others Present

David Padgett
Meagan Faulk
Elizabeth Smithart
Cynthia Smithart

A work session was held prior to the meeting at 4:30 pm.

There being a quorum present, the meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Vice-Chairman Cope Lawrence.

Lawrence Penn made a motion to accept the agenda, and Melma Gillis provided the second. Motion passed unanimously.

Minutes (January 5, 2021) were reviewed and approved upon a motion made by Roderick Clark. Lawrence Penn provided the second. The motion passed unanimously.

David Padgett reviewed the financial reports for January. Roderick Clark made a motion to accept & approve the report. Melma Gillis provided the second and the motion passed unanimously.

A &J Boutique and Party Supplies requested funding for site prep. A & J Boutique is requesting money for repairs to their building and to purchase inventory. The request was tabled during the February 2, 2021 regular session meeting. After questions and concerns were raised by the board, the request was tabled another thirty days. Melma Gillis made a motion to table the request for thirty days. Lawrence Penn provided the second and the motion passed unanimously.

Meagan Faulk gave an update regarding the 2021 Community Revitalization Program. The board members were asked to consider a portion of the CRP be designated towards Covid Relief for the upcoming 2021 Community Revitalization Program. Marsha Moffett recommended that the CRP implement a tier program with a point system. The board also recommended the tenant of a building must provide a Memorandum of Understanding if the request is to renovate any parts of the building. Further details will be given during the March 2, 2021 meeting.

David Padgett informed the board that representatives from Opportunity Alabama will be meeting at the airport on February 11, 2021 for a tour.

Cope Lawrence gave a brief update on the progress at the airport. He informed the board that the completion of the fence has been delayed due to inclement weather. He will give further details during the next scheduled meeting.

Updates include:

Bonnie Plants has started clearing land and moving dirt for construction.

Reserved Parking signs have been ordered for the Wi-Fi hotspot located in the back parking lot of BCDA. Bullock County Schools and Macon East Academy will be given a password to access the Wi-Fi during the restricted hours.

Once approved by the Airport Authority, quotes will be requested for the signs at the airport to advertise for an industrial park.

Grow SEA is currently putting a marketing plan together to include Bullock County.

CNA classes are scheduled to begin on February 1, 2021.

Being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:36 p.m. on the motion of Roderick Clark and a second by Melma Gillis. The vote passed unanimously.