

MINUTES

PUTNAM DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

March 11, 2013

Members Present: Lindsey, Nolan, Smith, and Sharp Absent: Stevens
Others: Gailey, Blackwell, Giffen, Bridgeman (press)

Call to Order—The meeting was called to order by Chairman Lindsey

Chairman introduced Charlie Giffen

Minutes- A motion was made by Sharp and seconded by Smith to approve the minutes of the February meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

Financials—several questions were asked about the One Georgia Account. A motion was made by Nolan and seconded by Smith to accept the financials. Motion carried unanimously.

Report from Mr. Giffen on his activities: Found apartment in Milledgeville and has gotten settled. Have visited with Dudley Horton and has appointment with Eric Arena this morning. Attended RDC open house last week and met staff, setting up appointments with them for next week. Visited property sites with Lindsey. Proposed that Authority hire Strategic Development Group (Mark Williams) to do an assessment of Putnam County. Fee would range from \$5,000 to \$75,000. Board asked for specifics and prices for scope of work. Will also contact Mike Mullis, project manager for Caterpillar.

Old Business

Technology Park-rebidding process-Bids due in by 2pm on Thursday, March 14. Decision on continuance will depend on price. This would be a good time to get commitment from county. If enough funds are not available maybe they could pay for paving.

Introductions to industry—who takes Charlie where and when: Mark Smith and Sharp will introduce him to officials in Watkinsville. Sharp will take him to meet Mile Cullen at Rose Acres Eggs Farm; Lindsey will go introduce him to A2B

New Business

Mileage reimbursement—Board agreed to set reimbursement at \$.55 cents per mile for those that turn in expenses. (Same as IRS)

Giffen and Sharp to work booth both days at the Logistic Conference next week.

Lindsey will have conversation with Stevens & Coker to see about setting up bookkeeping and the fee. Fee will depend on scope of work.

Blackwell turned over MasterCard, safety deposit box keys, and master key to CGTC to Lindsey today.

Lindsey requested that two things be put on next months agenda

- A. Discuss possibility of adding a PDA member to the Chamber board
- B. Discuss adding Giffen or PDA member to TAH board

Next Regularly scheduled Meeting April 8, 2013, 9am, MEETING WILL BE AT COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE BUILDING