



**City of East Point
Monthly Meeting Summary
Business and Industrial Development Authority**

Thursday, August 6, 2020

Zoom Webinar

East Point, GA 30344

6:30 pm

I. Call to Order

Brittany Byrom, the Chairperson, established a Call to Order of the East Point Business and Industrial Development Authority (BIDA) meeting at 6:36 pm.

Board Members Present: Brittany Byrom (Chair), Kristen Jackson, Joseph Johnson, Jackie-Slaughter-Gibbons, and Margaret McClure.

Others Present:

Maceo Rodgers (Director of Economic Development), Regina Carter (Secretary/Treasurer), Nyomi Haynes (Recording Secretary), and Kirby Glaze (Legal Counsel)

II. Adoption of Agenda

Mrs. McClure motioned to approve the adoption of the agenda. Mr. Slaughter-Gibbons seconded the motion. **Approved unanimously, the motion carried.**

III. Approval of the Meeting Summary from the following meeting: *July 2, 2020 summary*

Ms. Jackson motioned to approve the summary. Ms.Speed seconded the motion. **Approved unanimously, the motion carried.**

IV. Chairperson's Report

None

V. Secretary/Treasurer's Report

The bank reconciliation entered into the record.

Mrs. Carter shared an upcoming virtual basic development authority training for \$250 that the authority will cover. There is also a free training, but there is also a test at the end. Ms.Kristin Pritz volunteered to take it, and Ms. Byrom expressed an interest for more information.

VI. Legal Report

Mr. Glaze shared that every year Fulton County Public School Board ask for an updates about the Development Authority projects that are underway which will result in a reduction of the School Board taxes. In response, Mr. Glaze discuss the impact as a result of the Arden Gardens bond of 2019 and two upcoming BIDA Bond projects that will not impact taxes until 202. However, in the memorandum of understanding Mr. Glaze reported on both projects upcoming projects.

Mr. Glaze then shared a parcel property on Sylvan rd, just north of Arden Gardens, 6,000 ft, the authority owns that property. The tenant of that property has fenced it in and has been used for parking and storage without the authority's permission. Mr. Glaze recommends B.I.D.A lease it. Fulton County tax records say it belongs to the city. He requests permission to a title search to verify that, and If it is owned by the authority, he will begin negotiations about purchasing or leasing the property. If the property is owned by the city, ask that the city "deed" it over to BIDA; since the city can not lease it.

Mr. Glaze is no longer authorized to perform title searches but estimates it cost approximately \$500 to have another attorney perform such.

Mrs. McClure asked, can the current occupant claim squatters rights? Mr. Glaze responded no because restrictive title, also known as squatters right, does not apply to a public entity.

Ms. Pritz motioned to perform a title search by a title attorney. Ms. Slaughter-Gibbons seconded the motion. **Approved unanimously, the motion carried.**

VII. Old Business

None

VIII. New Business

None

IX. Director's Report

Mr. Rogers shared that in their package they should see a copy of the press release informing the public that there is a Home Depot coming soon to the City of East Point. Ms.Jackson then asked if it's too late to ask if Project Boss can contribute to the community? Mr. Rogers responded that the Mayor and City Council has partnered with the Southern Equity Group to do a community benefits study based on companies coming to do the city and creating jobs but not much more. An update with recommendations should be provided in August during the council meeting.

X. Executive Session

Adjournment

Having no further business, the meeting properly adjourned at 6:59 pm following a unanimous adoption of a motion made by Ms. Jackson and seconded by Mrs. McClure. **Approved unanimously, the motion carried.**