



## MINUTES

Board of Directors Special Meeting  
**Development Authority Conference Room  
and via Zoom Meeting**

Friday, January 26, 2023, at 9:30 a.m.

Abe Ashton, President	Eddie Gochenour
Amy Orndoff, Vice President	Helen Harris
Brad Close, Treasurer – joined at 9:32 a.m.	Kevin Knowles
Montie Hicks, Secretary	Doug Long
Margie Bartles	PJ Orsini
Mary Sue Catlett	Hunter Wilson

**ABSENT:** Brandon Smith, Jason Barrett, John Reisenweber

**OTHER ATTENDEES:** Jennifer Smith, Executive Director; Krista Hoffman, Associate Executive Director, Leslie Gantt, Economic Development Coordinator; Candace Dalton, Office Administrator.

**GUESTS:** Kenneth Barton, Legal Counsel, Steptoe & Johnson

- I. Call to Order - President Ashton called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.
- II. Determination of Members Present and Existence of a Quorum - President Ashton reported that a quorum was present.
- III. Proof and Filing by Secretary of Notice of Meeting – President Ashton confirmed the meeting agenda was posted to the public on Friday, January 12, 2024.
- IV. Project Maple – Deferred to Executive Session
- V. Monument Companies – Deferred to Executive Session

*Mr. Long made a motion to enter Executive Session at 9:31 a.m. to confer with counsel on real estate matters and personnel matters. Mr. Gochenour seconded the motion. Motion approved. The board returned to open session*

*at 10:30 a.m.*

*Mr. Gochenour made the motion for the board to enter a letter of support for financial assistance for stormwater upgrades at the former Interwoven Mill site for the Monument Companies. Ms. Bartles seconded the motion. Motion approved.*

*Ms. Harris made a motion to reject the Project Maple proposal to amend the contract. Mr. Long seconded the motion. Motion approved. Mr. Close opposed.*

- VI. Adjournment – There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:32 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Montie Hicks  
Secretary

Abraham Ashton  
President