



107 S. Jefferson Avenue  
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**Minutes**  
**Tuesday, November 14, 2023 ♦ 1:30 PM**  
**107 S. Jefferson Avenue, Eatonton, GA 31024**

The Putnam Development Authority met on Tuesday, November 14, 2023 at approximately 1:30 PM in the Putnam Development Authority Office, 107 S. Jefferson Avenue, Eatonton, Georgia.

***PRESENT***

Chairman Walt Rocker III  
Member Patty Burns  
Member Brice Doolittle  
Member Mylle Mangum  
Member John Wojtas

***OTHERS PRESENT***

Attorney Kevin Brown  
Economic Development Director Matt Poyner  
County Clerk Lynn Butterworth

**Opening**

1. Call to Order

Chairman Rocker called the meeting to order at approximately 1:37 p.m.  
(Copy of agenda made a part of the minutes.)

**Minutes**

2. Approval of Minutes - October 10, 2023 Regular Meeting

**Motion to approve the October 10, 2023 Regular Meeting Minutes.**

**Motion made by Member Wojtas, Seconded by Member Burns.**

**Voting Yea: Chairman Rocker, Member Burns, Member Doolittle, Member Mangum,  
Member Wojtas**

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## **Financials**

### **3. Approval of Financials - October 2023**

Member Burns reviewed the financials. Member Wojtas advised that the expense for the air conditioner at CGTC needs to be capitalized instead of putting it under Repairs & Maintenance. In addition, the old hotel needs to be pulled out of the balance sheet. Executive Director Poyner will get with Bookkeeper Rebekah Coker to correct these items.

### **Motion to approve October 2023 Financials.**

**Motion made by Member Mangum, Seconded by Member Doolittle.**

**Voting Yea: Chairman Rocker, Member Burns, Member Doolittle, Member Mangum, Member Wojtas**

(Copy of financials made a part of the minutes.)

## **Reports**

### **4. Economic Development Director Report**

Executive Director Matt Poyner reported the following:

(Copy of report made a part of the minutes.)

- Administrative
  - Budget
  - Hotel Eatonton
  - 107 S Jefferson Avenue
  - Strategic Planning
- Business & Industry Company Contacts
  - Existing Industry Updates
- Workforce Development
  - PCCA
- Marketing & Branding
  - Tytan Pictures
- Project Status
  - Project Activity
- Rock Eagle Technology Park
  - Miscellaneous
- South Industrial Park
  - 121 acre tract

## **Regular Business**

None

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## **Other Business**

### **5. Other Business**

Member Doolittle advised that Putnam County and EPWSA are doing a population density study for projections on population growth. The study should be ready by the end of the year and he will share it with the board.

Executive Director Poyner inquired if there was any interest in doing a solar farm on the eight acre SIP site. He advised they would pay annual rent for the next 20-25 years. He could also continue to improve and market the site for a business creating jobs.

Member Wojtas had to leave the meeting at approximately 2:23 p.m.

## **Next Meeting Items**

### **6. Next Meeting Items**

None

## **Closing**

### **7. Adjournment**

**Motion to adjourn the meeting.**

**Motion made by Member Doolittle, Seconded by Member Mangum.**

**Voting Yea: Chairman Rocker, Member Burns, Member Doolittle, Member Mangum**

Meeting adjourned at approximately 2:27 p.m.

ATTEST:

Lynn Butterworth  
County Clerk

Walt Rocker III  
Chairman

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