

**Fitzgerald and Ben Hill County Development Authority**  
**Board of Directors Meeting**  
**August 11, 2021**

**Present**

Ron Palk, Chairman  
Jason Dunn  
Hal Wiley  
Steve Taylor  
Mark Turner

**Absent**

Jim Pucket

**Other**

Kyle Cook  
Christina Justice  
Cam Jordan  
Mike Dinnerman  
Jessica Griner  
Melissa Dark  
Jeff Lewis

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Chairman Ron Paulk called the August 11, 2021 meeting to order at 12:14 pm.

Minutes from the June 2021 meeting were reviewed. Steve Taylor made a motion to approve. Hal Wiley seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.

Christina Justice presented the financials for June and July 2021. Hal Wiley made a motion to approve. Mark Turner seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.

Executive director, Jason Dunn gave the following report:

- Workforce Development- The Development Authority is working with Goodwill to provide training for potential employees on high demand skills. The Chamber, Development Authority, and College and Career Academy will kick off the FLEX program again soon.
- Legislators- The Development Authority hosted a visit from Congressman Austin Scott last week. He was able to tour Millex and West Frasier.

Infrastructure Updates:

A motion was made to approve \$38,000 matching funds on a \$300,000 EIP grant for a truck staging area in Highway 319 Business Park as part of the Polar Beverage expansion. Hal Wiley made the motion to approve. Steve Tylor seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made to sell 8 acres +/- of land on Glenn Bass Road for the Eagle Cargo expansion. Hal Wiley made the motion to approve. Steve Taylor seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

A motion was made to approve a letter of intent to work with the DOT on a Peachtree Corridor right of way. Mark Turner made the motion to approve. Steve Taylor seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:53 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Melissa Dark