



SCREVEN COUNTY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

**Screven County Development Authority
Board of Directors Meeting
September 27, 2016**

Members Present: Bobby Smith, Ricky McGhee, Davy Wells, Todd Bazemore, John Mark Counts

Others Present:

Enoch Autry, Sylvania Telephone Newspaper
Preston Dees, Mayor, City of Sylvania
Lori Durden, Ogeechee Technical College
Dorie Bacon, Executive Director

Bobby Smith called the meeting to order at 8:05 a.m. and gave an invocation.

Approval of Minutes:

Todd Bazemore made a motion to approve the June 2016 minutes as presented, Davy Wells seconded, passed unanimously

Approval of Financials:

John Mark Counts made a motion to approve the June, July, and August 2016 financials as presented, Ricky McGhee seconded, passed unanimously

Director's Report:

Executive Director Dorie Bacon gave a report about recent prospect activity as well as last week's Georgia Economic Developers Association's annual conference.

Old Business:

Insurance: Chairman Bobby Smith reminded the board that it was decided at the retreat to rebid the insurance based on the higher coverage requested by the board and suggested by our attorney. He informed everyone that the executive committee met to review the new bids and was recommended the board approve the low bid submitted by Professional Insurance.

Both Todd Bazemore and John Mark Counts recused themselves from the vote due to a possible conflict of interest so a quorum was not available to approve the bid.

Budget: The board was asked to approve the FY 17 budget originally reviewed at the board retreat.

Ricky McGhee made a motion to approve the FY 17 budget as presented, Todd Bazemore seconded, passed unanimously

New Business:

Officers: The board was informed that according to SCDA bylaws, officers are appointed during the first meeting of each fiscal year.

John Mark Counts made a motion to retain the current slate of officers (Bobby Smith – Chairman, David Boddiford – Vice-Chairman, Ricky McGhee – Secretary/Treasurer), Davy Wells seconded, passed unanimously.

Upcoming Events: Dorie Bacon informed the board that several big events are coming up. The ECG bus tour will be in Sylvania October 19th and the joint developers day event with Bulloch County will be October 27th and 28th.

Ogeechee Technical College: New OTC President, Lori Durden, attended the meeting to re-introduce herself to the board in her new role. She said OTC is considering beginning a new CDL program in Screven and is looking for a minimum of 3 paved acres for a course. The board expressed support and said they would assist in identifying possible sites.

Chairman Bobby Smith called the meeting to a close at 8:38 a.m.

David Boddiford was able to drop by the meeting in order to constitute a quorum for the insurance bid issue. Bobby Smith called the group back to order for a vote at 8:58 a.m.

The group decided unanimously to accept the low bid from Professional Insurance.

Bobby Smith adjourned the meeting again at 8:59 a.m.

**Respectfully Submitted,
Dorie Bacon**