



**City of East Point  
Meeting Summary  
Webinar ID: 836 8953 0848  
Business and Industrial Development Authority  
Thursday, August 4, 2022  
Zoom Webinar  
East Point, GA 30344  
6:30 pm**

- I. Call to Order**

Ms. Brittany Byrom established a Call to Order of the East Point Business and Industrial Development Authority meeting at 6:30 pm.
- II. Approval of the Agenda**

Ms. Byrom requested to receive a motion to approve the current agenda. Ms. Beth McMillan made the motion to approve the agenda as printed. Ms. Gloria Speed seconded the Motion. **Approved unanimously, the motion carried.**
- III. Approval of the June 2022 Meeting Summaries**

Ms. Margaret McClure stated she received two June 23, 2022, summaries and we should have received a June 21, 2022 which was recessed until June 23, 2022; therefore, Ms. McClure made a motion to table all of the summaries until next month. Ms. Beth McMillan seconded the Motion. **Approved unanimously, the motion carried.**
- IV. Chair Report** – Ms. Byrom stated she would like each board member to consider what or how they would like to use the BIDA Bank funds for within the East Point Community. Some suggestions in the past have been for small business grants, a think tank, and or to purchase East Point properties that we can own to rent out. Ms. Byrom asked that everyone think of some additional ideas for us to discuss at a future meeting.
- V. Secretary/Treasurer's Report**

Ms. Carter gave her report of the months of June and July stating the checks that cleared and the deposit made.
- VI. Legal Report**

In the month of June Mr. Kirby Glaze had discuss the documentation concerning Board Member Appointments. On June 1, 2022 Kirby corresponded with the City Attorney, Brad Bowman, in reference to Mr. Glaze's legal opinion on the BIDA member's appointment as per the Constitutional Law and whether or not Mr. Bowman agreed or not to Mr. Glaze's opinion? On June 2, 2022 Mr. Glaze emailed all of the Board members and Mr. Bowman his written opinion letter. As a result of not receiving a response from Mr. Bowman, Mr. Glaze established a more formal written opinion which was forwarded to the Board members, Mr.

Bowman and the Office of the State Attorney General earlier this week. Mr. Glaze requested the Office of the State Attorney to return any comments or objections to Mr. Glaze's opinion upon their review. Kirby received a response from the City Attorney's office stating he would be out of the office until August 11, 2022. However, to date Mr. Glaze has not received a response from the State Attorney General's Office to state if they would review it or even submit a response to it or not. Therefore, Kirby added he would keep the board apprised of any responses he receives from either party, Mr. Bowman or the State Attorney Generals Office.

Ms. McClure asked Kirby if he submitted a letter directly to the State Attorney General Office because she was under the impression the office would only reply to the City Attorney. Kirby replied in general that is the case; however, he went ahead and called their office this week. Mr. Glaze specifically asked a staff attorney in the State Attorney General Office if they would review the opinion. The staffer replied they would review it; however, he did not state whether they would supply an opinion on it. Therefore, Mr. Glaze forwarded his opinion and asked if they would review it and forward any comments, they could on it.

**VII. Old Business**

None

**VIII. New Business**

Mr. Maceo Rogers submitted a report to inform the board that the Economic Development Department facilitated th Grand Opening of a Vegan Grocer named "Leafy Green" downtown on Church St south of City Hall. We are also working with Market 166 for a location in the City of East Point. It is hopeful that this will lead to more opportunities of mainstream grocers in the community.

We are successfully working with our first kielbasa brewery which is like a herbal tea type operation on RN Martin St. We will keep the board posted as we move forward.

Ms. McClure asked Maceo what was it he stated in the month of June concerning the Commons property? Maceo state he informed the board that the Brownfield company would remove underground storage tanks as part of the Brownfield EPA Grant we received in 2019. Maceo noted that removal is complete; however, we still have some money to spend under the 2019 grant.

**IX. Adjournment**

Having no further business, Ms. McClure made a motion to adjourn. Ms. Gloria Speed seconded the motion. **Approved unanimously, the motion carried.** The meeting adjourned at 6:45 pm.

**Board Members Present:** Gloria Speed, Beth McMillan, Alexander Gothard, Margaret McClure, Jackie Slaughter Gibbons and Kristin Jackson Pritz

**Others Present:**

Regina Carter Secretary/Treasurer)

This summary was approved by Board Members In attendance on September 1, 2022:



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Regina T. Scott-Carter  
Secretary/Treasurer  
September 1, 2022