



Meeting Date	Meeting Type	Meeting Location	Quorum Present?
10/20/2025	Regular	Dade County Historic Court House, 12345 Main Street, Trenton, GA 30752	Yes

Persons In Attendance				
Members	Name	Officer Title(s)	In Person	By Phone
	Dr. James Cantrell	Chair	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	M. Leisa Cagle	Vice Chair & Treasurer	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	George Williams	Secretary	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Adam Austin		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Seth Houts		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Will Garrett		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Non-Member Officers	Name	Title	In Person	By Phone
	N/A		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Others In An Official Capacity	Name	Capacity	In Person	By Phone
	J. Robin Rogers	Attorney representing the Dade County IDA	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Evan Stone	Executive Director	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Visitors Whose Names Are Known To The IDA	Name	Organization		
	Lydia Berglar	Dade Sentinel		
	Ashleigh Givens	JDA		

### Call to Order

- Mr. Cagle called the meeting to order.

### Routine Motions

- Motion to approve Agenda
  - Motion: Mr. Williams
  - Second: Mrs. Cagle

- Carried by the following vote: Unanimous
- Motion to approve the Financial Reports
  - Motion: Mrs. Cagle
  - Second: Mr. Austin
  - Carried by the following vote: Unanimous
- Motion to approve the Minutes from the previous meeting.
  - Motion: Mr. Williams
  - Second: Mrs. Cagle
  - Carried by the following vote: Unanimous

#### Executive Directors Report

- Mr. Stone noted that Mr. Townsend feels good about Dade County receiving the GICH certification. We expect to hear if we were accepted next week.
- Mr. Stone invited Ms. White, President & CEO of the Alliance for Dade, to present the Alliance's signage campaign. Ms. White provided a visual presentation of the different aspects of the signage noting that different locations in the county would correspond with a particular color. She would like the IDA to consider this design scheme for future Industrial Park signage. The board discussed the use of the design and approved the color scheme. Mr. Houts will work through some design changes to make the Industrial Park signs more fitting for the Industrial Park. Once the signs are up the different businesses in the Industrial Park will be responsible for the cost to put their business on the sign. Estimated costs for the sign are a little over \$22,000.00 per sign. The board discussed putting the sign out for bid to different sign companies to check pricing. The Alliance for Dade is using Victory Signs. The signs would not have to all be purchased at once and could be done in phases.
  - Mr. Austin made a motion to adopt the color scheme for the signs. Mr. Garrett seconded and all members approved.
- Mr. Stone will be ordering a Hotel/Motel feasibility study to be conducted. Georgia Power provided a grant for this study years ago and the funds have been earmarked for this study since. The total cost of the study after the Georgia Power grant funds are used will be \$17,500.00 with the IDA paying \$10,000.00 and the county and city funding the remainder.
  - Mr. Williams made a motion to add the funds back to the budget. Mrs. Cagle seconded the motion and all approved.
- Mr. Stone noted that the Dade County Water & Sewer Authority received a grant and has completed a main line upgrade on Hwy 299. We now have an 8" main line in that area of the county.
- The board will need to complete training before the end of the year. Georgia Tech has provided this training and we have a link to the site. The board will be enrolled in the training and the link will be emailed. GEDA Training for the JDA is also available and Georgia Power also can provide training.

- The JDA Board will be meeting in Dade on Wednesday at 11:30 if anyone would like to attend. The JDA has recently hired a new President and he will be in attendance.
- Mrs. Berglar asked if the Hotel/Motel feasibility study was being conducted because a Hotel/Motel was looking to locate in Dade. Mr. Stone noted that while no one is looking now this study will provide the information to potential companies looking to locate here in the future.

Mr. Williams made a motion to go into executive session. Mr. Austin seconded and all approved.

Mr. Stone noted that a Special Called meeting would be needed for Monday, November 3rd. The board discussed and set a time for 1:00 PM in the IDA office at the Historic Court House. Mr. Garrett made a motion to set this meeting. Mr. Williams seconded and all approved.

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on November 17th.

Mrs. Cagle made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Austin seconded the motion and all approved.

ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS	
LATE ARRIVING OR EARLY DEPARTING MEMBERS	N/A
PLACES WHERE NOTICE AND AGENDA FOR THIS MEETING WERE POSTED OR SENT	Dade County Industrial Development Authority Web Site; Dade County Administration Building Notice Board
ATTACHMENTS	The following documents are incorporated within these Minutes: Financial Statement
PREPARATION OF MINUTES	Seth Houts, Recording Secretary

Note: These Minutes are unofficial until approved by the IDA Members.