## THOMASTON-UPSON COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY MINUTES OF THE JULY 22, 2024 BOARD MEETING CITY/COUNTY MEETING ROOM

#### **BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

J. D. Stallings
Chase Fallin, Chairman
Anne Massengale
Lonnie Joyce
Norman Allen
Slade Gulledge, Executive Director

#### OTHERS PRESENT

Johnnie Caldwell, Attorney Susan Hill, IDA Office Administrator

#### GUESTS

Dave Piper, WTGA
Newton Galloway, Attorney-Galloway & Lyndall
Heath English, County Attorney
James Fortner, Owner JMF Towing & Recovery Company
Mike Fortner, JMF Towing & Recovery Company
Mark Woodall
Lisa Pierce
Ed Searcy
Gerard Lozano, Galloway & Lyndall

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

Meeting was called to order at 4:00 PM.

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A **MOTION** was made by Mr. Allen seconded by Ms. Massengale and approved to accept the June 24, 2024 Minutes.

#### FINANCIAL REPORT

A <u>MOTION</u> was made by Mr. Joyce seconded by Ms. Massengale and approved to accept the June 2024 financial reports.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

A <u>MOTION</u> was made by Mr. Allen, seconded by Ms. Massengale and approved to <u>TABLE</u> the proposed 2025 budget until the August meeting, so the board can review some of the increases.

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1. <u>Discussion and Possible Consideration of JMF Towing & Recovery Company</u>
Newton Galloway, of Galloway & Lyndall, legal counsel for JMF Towing & Recovery Company, made a presentation to the board requesting to purchase five acres at the Thomaston-Upson Industrial Park to relocated Mr. Fortner business from County Road in Upson County. The

board thanked Mr. Galloway and JMF Towing for their attendance.

2. Review of Ashley Indiana to the Brighmark Plant Tour

The board discussed their trip to the Brightmark plant to Indiana earlier this month. Members included Chase Fallin, Lonnie Joyce, Jennifer Rogers, Jason Tinsley, County Manager, and Slade Gulledge. The group commented on how clean and how they are maintaining high safety measures in the plant.

3. Director's Report

Mr. Gulledge will not give a formal "Director's Report" every month. Any questions by the board concerning his written report will be answered.

OTHER BUSINESS

**EXECUTIVE SESSION** 

A <u>MOTION</u> was made by Mr. Allen, seconded Ms. Massengale and approved to go into Executive Session. This motion was unanimously approved by the following, which were present; Mr. Joyce, Mr. Fallin, Mr. Stallings, Ms. Massengale, and Mr. Allen.

A <u>MOTION</u> was made by Mr. Allen seconded Mr. Joyce and approved to exit Executive Session.

The next board meeting is scheduled for Monday, August 26, 2024 at 4:00 P.M.

**ADJOURNMENT** 

The meeting was adjourned at 5:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Anne Massengale, Secretary