

Downtown Development Authority of Augusta Board Meeting Minutes October 20, 2022

The Downtown Development Authority held its monthly meeting on October 20, 2022, at 10 am at Destination Augusta, located at 1010 Broad Street.

DDA members and staff in attendance were Jack Evans, Stephen King, Phuong Nguyen, Pastor Anthony Booker, Commissioner John Clarke, Executive Director Margaret Woodard and Project Coordinator Katherine Bonner.

Guests and presenters Mr. Bennish Brown and Ms. Ronic West were also in attendance.

Chairman Jack Evans called the meeting to order at 10:04 am and thanked Destination Augusta for hosting the meeting.

Stephen King introduced the consent agenda, which included the September 2022 minutes and financial report. There were no questions or comments. Pastor Booker made a motion to approve the consent agenda, with a second by Phuong Nguyen, and the motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Woodard directed the board to the Director's Report, attached as information. Reminders were provided about the upcoming Microenterprise Center meeting and 10Twenty-Eight ribbon cutting. Stephen King made a motion to accept the Director's Report as information, with a second by Pastor Booker, and the motion passed unanimously.

Under new business, Mr. Evans introduced Mr. Bennish Brown, President/CEO of Destination Augusta, to discuss the organization's 2023 Roadmap, and Ms. Ronic West, President of the Greater Augusta Black Chamber of Commerce, to update the body on GABCC progress and partnership opportunities.

In the Chairman's Remarks, Mr. Evans noted that the meeting's presentations echoed that we all have to work together with an aligned message and come together for the same goal.

Mr. Evans asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Stephen King made the motion, with a second by Commissioner Clarke, and the motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 10:57 am.

Respectfully Submitted,

Stephen King Secretary-Treasurer