

**CLAY COUNTY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY  
REGULAR SCHEDULED PUBLIC MEETING  
MINUTES**

**May 18, 2022**

**Present:** Keith Ward, Danielle Vallencourt, Chereese Stewart, Tina Clary, Bruce Butler, Amy Pope-Wells, Joelle Marquis

**Absent:** Jim Horne

**Staff:** Josh Cockrell and April Scott (Legal Counsel)

**Guests:** Nancy McDaniel, Connie Thomas.

**Call to Order:** **Keith Ward** called the Clay County Development Authority ("CCDA") Public Meeting to order at 4:00 PM.

**Invocation:** **Bruce Butler** provided the invocation and Pledge of Allegiance.

**Comments from the Public:** Nancy McDaniel spoke regarding an incident in which she overheard the CCDA executive director make disparaging comments to her. The Board stated that they would investigate the issue. Connie Thomas gave an update on the College Drive Initiative and encouraged the Board to not move forward with the development of the College Drive properties into a self-storage facility.

**Secretary's Report**

**Chereese Stewart** provided the secretary's report. **Bruce Butler** motioned for approval. Motion approved.

**Treasurer's Report**

**Tina Clary** provided the Treasurer's report. **Bruce Butler** motioned for approval. Motion approved.

**Chair's Report**

**Keith Ward** reported on the CCDA email regarding the College Drive property and the disinformation that was created by some within the community.

**Executive Director's Report**

**Josh Cockrell** provided grants updates.

**Attorney's Report**

**April Scott** reported that the College Drive demolition permits were showing on transactions and that the situation was resolved.

**Old Business/New Business/Board Comments**

**The board** did not make any updates regarding old and/or new business. **Keith Ward** called for an executive session about **Nancy McDaniel** and **Connie Thomas'** accusations about **Josh Cockrell's** unprofessionalism. **Josh Cockrell** was asked to step out while the Board discussed on the matter. **The Board** decided to watch the recorded Commission Meeting on January 4<sup>th</sup>, 2022 and would further table any discussion until next meeting.

**The Board** also discussed potential properties in Green Cove Springs that could be redeveloped.

**Adjourned: 5:33PM**