

Rome Floyd County Development Authority
800 Broad Street, Suite 102
Rome, GA 30161
Tuesday, July 22, 2025 – 9:00 AM

Minutes

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Jimmy Byars

Allison Watters

Craig McDaniel (Via Zoom)

Evie McNiece

Ryan Miller

Lowery May

OTHERS PRESENT:

Lee Carter (Davis Lucas Carter), Jamie McCord (Floyd County), Sammy Rich (City of Rome), Heather Seckman (RFCDA), Mary Grace Selman (RFCDA), JR Davis (RFCDA), Pam Powers-Smith (RFC)

CALL TO ORDER AND WELCOME

Jimmy Byars called the meeting to order, and a quorum was present.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Jimmy Byars presented the minutes from the meeting on June 17, 2025 for approval. Evie McNiece made a motion to approve the previous meeting minutes and Allison Watters seconded. McNiece, Watters, Byars, May and Miller voted in favor.

FINANCIAL REPORT

- A. June 2025 – Jimmy Byars said the financials will be voted on at the August meeting.

ACTIVITY/PROSPECT REPORT

- A. 5 New Projects – Heather Seckman said that there have been five new prospect inquiries since the last meeting.
- B. Grants Update – Mary Grace presented a proposal from CHA to complete an application for an Assessment Grant for the O'Neill property. CHA can complete the application for \$3,500.00 and the deadline is in November 2025. Allison Watters made a motion to approve the assessment grant for \$3,500 contingent upon confirming the EPA grants are still available and Lowery May seconded. Watters, May, McNiece, Miller, and Byars
- C. Website Update – Mary Grace explained that the website designer has submitted a second draft of the website leading to more discussions on design.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Evie McNiece made a motion to go into Executive Session for Personnel, Litigation and Real Estate matters, and Lowery May seconded. McNiece, Miller, Watters, May and Byars voted in favor. Lowery May made a motion to come out of Executive Session and Evie McNiece seconded. May, McNiece, Watters, Miller, and Byars voted in favor. No vote was taken.

MEETING ADJOURNED