

**BRUNSWICK COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY**

**Board of Directors Meeting**

100 Athletic Field Road

Brunswick County Conference Center

October 7, 2025, at 6:00 P.M.

**IDA Board Meeting Minutes**

**The following Board Members were present:**

Dr. Morris Taylor, Chairman, Red Oak District  
Mr. Floyd Moore, Sturgeon District  
Dr. Arthur Jarrett Jr., At-Large  
Mr. Ervin Moore, At-Large

**Also Present:**

Mr. Jeffery Reed, IDA Executive Director  
Mrs. Tessie Bacon, IDA Attorney  
Ms. April Beaty, IDA Office Manager  
Ms. Leslie Weddington, County Administrator, Brunswick County  
Dr. Barbara Jarrett-Harris, Board Liaison, Brunswick County Board of Supervisors  
Ms. Alfreda Jarrett-Reynolds, Economic Director, Brunswick County  
Mrs. Dixie Daniels, Tourism, Marketing, and Social Media Manager  
Ms. Ann Williams, Town Council, Town of Lawrenceville

**The following were absent:**

Mrs. Jean Moody, Vice-Chair, Meherrin District  
Mr. Quintin Kelly, Secretary / Treasurer, Powellton District  
Dr. Ronald Thornhill, Totaro District  
Mrs. Lawanda Tatum, Mayor of Lawrenceville  
Mayor Don Dugger, Town of Brodnax Mayor  
Ms. Robert Hayes, Mayor of Alberta

**I. Call to Order**

The Chair called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**II. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance**

The Chair gave the Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

**III. Approval of Agenda**

**Motion:** Mr. Arthur Jarrett, Jr. motioned, seconded by Mr. Floyd Moore, to approve of the board meeting agenda.

**Upon vote of those present motion was unanimously carried.**

**IV. Approval Of Minutes**

**Motion:** Dr. Arthur Jarrett, Jr. motioned, seconded by Mr. Floyd Moore, to approve September 9, 2025, Regular Schedule Board Meeting Minutes.

**Upon vote of those present motion was unanimously carried.**

**V. Consent Agenda**

**Motion:** Mr. Floyd Moore, motioned, seconded by Dr. Arthur Jarrett, Jr to approve the September 2025 Financial Statement

**Upon vote of those present motion was unanimously carried.**

**VI. Executive Director’s Report**

The Executive Director reported to the Board the successful extension of the EDA grant for the packing plant through December 31, 2025. The Tobacco Commission granted a \$2million loan extension for the packaging plant through December 31, 2027. Mr. Reed mentioned he will be attending the Virginia Maritime Association conference with the Virginia Economic Development Partnership (VEDP) next week.

**VII. Citizens Comments**

**(Citizens are allotted three (3) minutes to speak)**

Dr. Barbara J. Harris took the opportunity to thank the IDA for coming out to the event for Elect Chief Justice Cleo Powell of the Virginia Supreme Court. Dr. Harris mentioned three or four IDA representations in our midst.

Mr. Reed stated he certainly appreciated the statement.

Dr. Taylor stated, thanked the members for going out to this especially important event. It is always good that we celebrate Brunswick County accomplishments.

**VIII. Old Business**

**i. 139 Hicks Street**

Mrs. Beaty mentioned two bids were received, but further research is needed. Mr. Reed suggested speaking with the building official to discuss roof issues and potential structural damage.

**IX. IDA Board Comments**

Board members expressed gratitude to citizens and mentioned the upcoming Taste of Brunswick Festival on October 11<sup>th</sup> at the Brunswick County Airport from 10 am to 4pm.

Mrs. Dixie Daniels, Tourism Coordinator, serves as the Secretary on the committee and she provided details about the 28<sup>th</sup> annual event including 27 stew masters, 62 vendors’, activities and attendance expectations. The festival will feature live music, a car show, bounce houses, face painting, mechanical bull, and a petting zoo. Dixie Daniels also mentioned the need for volunteers for the upcoming 30 anniversary of the Brunswick Stew Festival in 2028. It will be 200 years since Brunswick Stew was created back in 1828.

X. Closed Session

**MOTION TO CONVENE CLOSED MEETING**

**October 7, 2025**

Mr. Ervin Moore motioned, seconded by Dr. Arthur Jarrett, Jr., that The Industrial Development Authority of Brunswick County Virginia Board Members convene in closed meeting to discuss the following:

- i. As permitted by Virginia Code Section 2.2-3711(a) (3), a matter involving the disposition of publicly held real property, the Sledge & Barkley Building.

**CERTIFICATION AFTER CLOSED SESSION**

Motion by Mr. Ervin Moore that the Board certifies that to the best of each Board member's knowledge:

- i. Only public business matters lawfully exempted from the open session requirement by Virginia law were discussed in closed session to which this certification applies, and
- ii. Only such public business matters as were identified in the motion convening the closed session were heard, discussed, or considered by the Board.

**Roll Call Vote:** Mr. Morris Taylor, Chair, Red Oak District | | Dr. Arthur Jarrett Jr., At-Large | Mr. Ervin Moore, Jr., At-Large | Mr. Floyd Moore, Sturgeon District

**Voting Aye:** Mr. Morris Taylor, Chair, Red Oak District | Dr. Arthur Jarrett Jr., At-Large | Mr. Ervin Moore, Jr., At-Large | | Mr. Floyd Moore, Sturgeon District

**Voting Nay:**

**Absent During Vote:** Mrs. Jean Moody, Vice-Chair, Meherrin District | Mr. Quintin Kelly, Powellton, District Secretary / Treasurer | Dr. Ronald Thornhill, Totaro District

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**Motion:** Mr. Ervin Moore, motioned, seconded by Dr. Arthur Jarrett Jr., to authorize the attorney to communicate with Sledge & Barkley Lofts counsel regarding; three (3) day draw payments and the automatic acceptance of draw requests, the board authorizes the attorney to proceed with closing contingent upon satisfactory resolution of the issues set forth above.

**Upon vote of those present motion was unanimously carried.**

XI. Adjournment

**Motion:** Dr. Arthur Jarrett Jr. motioned, seconded by Mr. Floyd Moore, that the meeting be adjourned.

**Upon vote of those present, the motion was unanimously carried.**

The October 7, 2025, Board of Directors meeting of the Industrial Development Authority of Brunswick County was adjourned at 7:24 p.m.