

**Minutes**  
**Development Authority of Elbert County, Elberton and Bowman**  
**November 13, 2024**

Chairman Al McCall called the meeting to order. Present were Caitlin Dye, Mayor Daniel Graves, Dr. Andrea Daniel, Anna Grant Jones, Lee Vaughn, Steve Banks, Betty Jo Maxwell, Kevin Eavenson, Tamara Butler, guests, media.

After the pledge to the United States flag the invocation was given by Mayor Graves.

**Adoption of the Agenda.** Mr. Vaughn made a motion to adopt the agenda; seconded by Mayor Graves. The motion passed unanimously.

**Adoption of the Minutes of October 9, 2024.** Amendment to October 9<sup>th</sup> meeting- Betty Joe Maxwell and Steve Banks were present. Ms. Jones made a motion to adopt the minutes as amended, seconded by Mr. Banks. The motion passed unanimously.

**Finance Report.** Mr. Eavenson stated cash-on-hand is \$100,030.90. All first and second quarter contributions have been paid. Nothing out of the ordinary to report for expenditures for the month.

- Mrs. Dye stated ECG will be doing our Strategic Visioning sessions on January 8, 2025 and February 12, 2025.
- Mrs. Dye said that she reached out to two (2) other communities about their Bond Administration fees. Thomas Upton county does 1/8 of 1% and Thomasville on a case- by-case basis. She thinks our proposal of 1/8 of 1% is what the majority of other counties charge.

**October Directors Report.** Mrs. Dye stated she went to an ICSC Retail Conference in Atlanta and talked to several businesses. She toured a couple of local industries, had two (2) site visits and prepared two (2) Incentive Letters.

Mrs. Dye stated in talking with CVIOG (Carl Vincent Institute of Georgia), about potentially doing a Wage and Benefit Survey; Ms. Kristen Miller and Mr. Greg Wilson would like to submit Elberton and Elbert County as a Propel Community for 2026. This is a community guided Economic Development strategic plan. This would be at no cost to us.

Mrs. Dye will present Elberton and Elbert County at the GA Experience Center in Atlanta in December.

There was discussion of an appreciation dinner for the manufacturing businesses, possibly around the first week of May, 2025.

**Adjournment.** Mayor Graves made a motion to adjourn; seconded by Mr. Vaughn. The motion passed unanimously.