

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the
Board of Directors of the Camden County
Joint Development Authority
February 20th, 2026**

The Board of Directors of the Camden County Joint Development Authority held a regular meeting in the Board Room at the Office of the Joint Development Authority in Kingsland, Georgia, on February 20th, 2026. There were present and participated at the meeting the following Board members: Robert Baird, Royce Proctor, Ken Kessler, Ben Easterling, C.B. Yadav, and Jay Lassiter. Also, in attendance were staff members James Coughlin, Darren Harper and Hazel Shaw.

The meeting was called to order by Chair Baird at 9:00 a.m. Mr. Baird noted that a quorum was present for the meeting.

Amendments to and adoption of Agenda: Chair Baird asked for a motion to adopt the agenda if there were no amendments. A motion was made by Mr. Proctor to adopt the agenda as it read. The motion was seconded by Mr. Lassiter. The Board voted unanimously to approve the motion.

Approval of the Minutes of the January 8th Regular Meeting: A motion was made by Mr. Yadav to accept the Minutes of the January 8th regular meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Proctor. The Board voted unanimously to approve the motion; a copy of the Minutes is attached.

Approval of the Minutes of the January 21st Special Called Meeting: A motion was made by Mr. Lassiter to accept the Minutes of the January 21st special called meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Easterling. The Board voted unanimously to approve the motion; a copy of the Minutes is attached.

FY25 Audit Review by Mauldin and Jenkins – (Mr. Kirk Arich- appeared virtually):

Mr. Kirk Arich of Mauldin and Jenkins, an independent auditor, appeared via Zoom and provided a presentation with an overview of the audit for FY25. After Mr. Arich highlighted some key points from the audit, he noted that Mauldin and Jenkins provided a Clean and Unmodified Audit Opinion, which is the highest level of assurance offered by an Auditor for the FY25 Audit for the JDA. A motion was made by Mr. Lassiter and seconded by Mr. Kessler to accept the FY25 Audit as reported. The Board voted to unanimously approve the motion.

Treasurer's Report: Mr. Easterling reported on the year-to-date financials as included in the Board packet, making a note the reports are two months in arrears and he was reporting on the December financials. Mr. Easterling also gave a brief overview for repayment of bond payments the Authority is required to make providing a plan for the payments through September 2028. A motion was made by Mr. Proctor, and seconded by Mr. Kessler to accept the financial reports presented. The Board voted unanimously to approve the motion; copies of the financials are attached.

Staff Reports: Mr. Coughlin and Mr. Harper provided comprehensive verbal and written reports outlining their activities over the past month, as well as updates on current initiatives and projects. Copies of their written reports are attached.


Appoint Budget and Business Plan Committee: Chair Baird appointed Dan Black, Royce Proctor, Ben Easterling and himself to serve on the Budget and Business Plan Committee to work on the budget and business plan for fiscal year 2027. All the Board Members approved the appointments made by Chair Baird.

Executive Session – Legal and Real Estate: At 9:42 a.m. Mr. Proctor made a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss legal and real estate matters. The motion was seconded by Mr. Lassiter. The Board voted unanimously to go into executive session.

At 11:10 a.m., Mr. Yadav made the motion to return to regular session. It was seconded by Mr. Proctor and unanimously approved by the Board to return to regular session.

Adjourn Meeting: At 11:12 a.m. a motion was made by Mr. Easterling, seconded by Mr. Yadav, and approved unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 11:12 a.m., at which time the meeting was adjourned.

CAMDEN COUNTY JOINT DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

By: 
Chair

Date: 3/12/2026

By: 
Secretary/Treasurer

Date: 3/12/26