

**MONTEVALLO DEVELOPMENT COOPERATIVE DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
Montevallo City Hall
Minutes**

**Special Called Meeting
May 12, 2025
1:00 p.m.**

Members Present: Sonya Swords, Mark Richard, Trey Gauntt
Staff Present: Regina Ashmore, Susan Hayes (Zoom)
Others Present: Steve Gilbert, City of Montevallo

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 pm by Chairman Swords. Chairman Swords, Mr. Richard and Mr. Gauntt were in attendance creating a quorum. A notice for this meeting was posted on April 22, 2025.

Mr. Gauntt made a motion to approve the minutes of the April 21, 2025 meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Richard. The motion was approved by a vote of three (3-0), with Chairman Swords, Mr. Richard and Mr. Gauntt voting in favor.

Mr. Gilbert provided a status update on the Hotel project including a proposed June groundbreaking.

The city has requested a one-year extension from ALDOT on the Crossroad project due to their delay in the review and approval process. Since the properties are not located in the city limits of Montevallo the State of Alabama will negotiate and acquire the necessary rights-of-way. The city has the plans and cost estimate shy of \$1,000,000 for the sewer line which will replace existing lines and pump stations to gravity lines up to Ammersee Lakes subdivision.

Stephens Park is nearing completion; there are a few outstanding items such as countertops, and shelving to be installed before final billing can take place.

The survey work for the Soccer Fields located an eight-inch clay sewer main running down through the middle of the property. Further assessment will determine if the field placement needs to be shifted to avoid disruption of this line or whether it should be upgraded and rerouted for future installation of the two multi-use fields, sidewalks, handicap parking, future restrooms and two future pavilions.

Mr. Gauntt asked Ms. Hayes to verify the transfer of funds from the Community Center project to the City Recreation Fields project in the amount of \$30,000. It was discussed that the University would reassume the financial accounting function for the MDCD once staffing issues are resolved at the University. Until that time the MDCD will continue to engage Ms. Hayes in a consulting capacity for this function. The Board discussed the goal to continue to obtain good clean audits and will continue to work with Ms. Hayes and the University accounting team to achieve this goal.

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be on Monday, June 9, 2025 at 1:00 pm in the Council Chambers at Montevallo City Hall. The Zoom login will be provided for the meeting.

There being no further business, Mr. Richard made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Mr. Gauntt. The motion was approved by a unanimous vote of three (3-0), with Mr. Gauntt, Mr. Richard and Chairman Swords voting in favor, the special called meeting of April 21, 2025 was adjourned at 1:25 pm.

Regina Ashmore
Recording Secretary

Sonya Swords
Montevallo Development Cooperative District