

**MINUTES**  
**OKEFENOKEE AREA DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY**  
**April 30, 2009**

**PRESENT: Dee Meadows, James Willis, Roger Williams, John Fluker, Owen Herrin, Jim Waters, Kenneth Bennett and Regina Morgan**

**ABSENT: Dedi Thomas**

**GUESTS: Terry Dillard, Tom Davis, Andy Brannen, Robin Blackard, Gus Karle, Paul Smith, Williams Simmons, Neil Aspinwall and Norman Davis**

The meeting was called to order at 12:00 Noon

**MINUTES**

Owen Herrin made a motion to accept the minutes as presented. After discussion by the Board, the motion was seconded by Jim Waters.

**FINANCIAL REPORT**

Kenneth Bennett made a motion to accept the financials as presented. After discussion by the Board, the motion was seconded by Jim Waters.

**ATTORNEY'S REPORT**

Terry Dillard reported that the settlement details between Associated Contractors and Sherrod are being worked out.

**CHAIRMAN'S REPORT – DEE MEADOWS**

Chairman Dee Meadows reported that he had signed a resolution on behalf of the OADA in support of the four laning of Highway 84. Chairman Meadows further reported that the OADA, the City and the County had signed the pre-commitment letter with WNT at its request. Chairman Meadows congratulated Pierce County on its recent grant award of \$750,000.00 for sewer to the Industrial Park and new school.

**DIRECTOR'S REPORT – REGINA MORGAN**

Ms. Morgan reported that she had met with David Bennett, the CEO of WNT in Waycross. Everything is moving forward and Waycross is still in one of the top positions for a recycling/remanufacturing facility.

Ms. Morgan further reported that she had met with the Swedish fuel pellet company again and the site in the Waycross-Ware County Industrial Park was visited by the company's engineer. The company representatives indicated that they would return in May and would be bringing several of its investors along.

**OTHER BUSINESS (OLD & NEW)**

Ms. Morgan reminded the Board of the Manufacturers Appreciation Luncheon which is scheduled for May 7, 2009 at 11:30 at the REA.

Being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:45 p.m.

Submitted By,

Regina Morgan  
Executive Director