

# Minutes – Meeting January 15, 2026

## Brooks County Development Authority

### Regular Meeting

The BCDA Chairman presided over the meeting and called the meeting to order at 6:00pm. Board members Ulysses Marable, Dr. Horne, Clifford Burton, Mike Stiller and Derren Yearby attended, along with Executive Director Jerome Tucker, and Accountant, Juan Turner. The meeting was located at 115 E. Screven St. Quitman GA.

### Election of Officers and Present 2026 Officers

- a. Chairman – Clifford Burton nominated by Derren Yearby, Mike Stiller seconded the motion; unanimously approved.
- b. Vice Chairman – Dr. Ulysses Marable nominated by Derren Yearby, Mike Stiller seconded the motion; unanimously approved.
- c. Secretary – Derren Yearby nominated by Dr. Ulysses Marable, Mike Stiller seconded the motion; unanimously approved.
- d. Treasurer – John LaHood nominated by Derren Yearby, Dr. Ulysses Marable seconded the motion; unanimously approved.

### Minutes

After a thorough review of September 25, 2025, meeting minutes. Dr. Ulysses Marable made a motion to accept the minutes. Mike Stiller seconded; unanimously approved.

### Financials

Chairman Clifford Burton moved to accept the September, October, November and December 2025 financials. BCDA accountant Juan Turner addressed the board to give an update on all BCDA accounts. After a thorough review, Derren Yearby made a motion. Dr. Ulysses Marable seconded; unanimously approved.

### Old Business

- a. Final signature to close agreement with Steel Builders and Systems, Inc.

Mike Stiller made a motion. Derren Yearby seconded the motion; unanimously approved.

### New Business

- a. Ratify Plains States Commodities, LLC Offer

Dr. Ulysses Marable made a motion. Derren Yearby seconded the motion; unanimously approved.

### Reports

Juan Turner, Administrative Assistant | Accountant

- a. DCA Annual Conference
- b. Audit Plan
- c. Coordination with DCA Region 11 Representative

Jerome Tucker, Executive Director

- a. Clifford Burton and Mike Stiller registered for Economic Development Basic Training
- b. Companies interested in Brooks County: (3) local and (2) larger companies

Derren Yearby motioned to begin the executive session. Mike Stiller seconded the motion; unanimously approved.

Executive Session

- a. Legal

Derren Yearby motioned. Mike Stiller seconded the motion; all executive session items unanimously approved.

Return to regular session

Derren Yearby motioned to return from the executive session. Dr. Horne seconded the motion; unanimously approved.

Call to adjourn

Clifford Burton made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mike Stiller; unanimously approved.