

INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (IDA)

COMMITTEE DESCRIPTION AND QUALIFICATIONS

Purpose of the Committee:

The Industrial Development Authority (IDA)/Economic Development Council (EDC) is a political subdivision of the county that serves to promote economic development within the county. The IDA/EDC was created for the purpose of financing and re-financing capital projects as defined by, and in the manner provided by, the Florida Industrial Development Act and by Sections 159.44-159.53 of Chapter 159 of the Florida Statutes relating to industrial development authorities and for the purpose of fostering the industrial and business development of Hardee County.

Functions of the Committee:

- Work with industrial development agencies, chamber of commerce, and other local, state, and federal agencies having responsibilities in the field of industrial development.
- Retention and strengthening of existing businesses.
- Improve utilization and development of local infrastructure.
- Creation of investment, employment, and wealth in the community.

Eligibility for appointment:

- All members of the IDA must be residents of Hardee County.
- All applicants are expected to have an interest in developing the economic growth in the county and the need for diversity in the economy.
- Formal education in the field is not necessary, but some demonstrated experience or involvement in economic development is preferred.
- All interested applicants must complete and submit an Advisory Board Application. Applications can be submitted via mail, email, faxed or hand delivered to the County Manager's Office Manager.

General information pertaining to the Committee:

The IDA has seven members, all of whom are appointed by The Board of County Commissioners. The terms of the members are 4 years.

The IDA meets the second Tuesday of every month at 8:30 a.m. at the Hardee Board of County Commissioners Chambers, located at 412 West Orange St., Suite 102, Wauchula, FL 33873.

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