

## Economic Development Columbia County style.

The IDA's \$60,000 plus a year IDA Deputy Director, who came to the job with no previous economic development experience, prepared the agenda blew.

Never mind that it is single spaced and difficult to read. Never mind that there is no address or phone number for those from out of town who may wish to attend and experience Columbia County's economic development team first hand - there is no supporting material available before the meeting, which in IDA land is the usual occurrence, along with the non existent IDA - Economic Development web site, which has been in the works for over a year.

Suzanne Norris, a local bank executive with Mercantile Bank - which does have a web site, is the Chairman of the IDA Board. She has done nothing but praise the IDA and its management.



### Columbia County Industrial Development Authority AGENDA



DATE: November 10, 2010

TIME: 8:30 a.m.

PLACE: CHS Career Center

1. Call to order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll call
4. Request guest to sign in
5. Public Comment: Audience of Any Citizen  
The Columbia County IDA will hear any citizen who wishes to address the Board, on a one time basis, pertaining to a relevant topic. If the Board wishes to hear more about the topic, that topic will be scheduled for a future Board meeting. Each speaker is limited to three minutes and the time dedicated to this topic will not exceed twenty minutes.
6. \* Approve minutes from board meeting held on October 6, 2010.
7. \* Accept the financials for month ending September 2010
  - a.\* Revised IDA budget
8. Executive Director's report
9. Deputy Director's report
10. Committee Updates
  - a. Utility
  - b. Rudder Team
11. Old business
  - a. Tax abatement
12. New business
  - a. \* Recommendation of expiring ID A Board seat
13. Other discussion
14. Topics for future meetings
15. Next meeting: December 1, 2010
16. Adjournment

\* Denotes Board action