

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY MINUTES OF DECEMBER 11, 2018

At a meeting of the Economic Development Authority held on the 11th day of December 2018, in the Accomack County Airport Conference Room, in Melfa, Virginia.

1. CALL TO ORDER

A. MEMBERS PRESENT AND ABSENT

Economic Development Authority Members Present:

Mr. Wesley Edwards, Chairman
Ms. Stella Rohde, Vice Chairwoman
Mr. Calvert “Ace” Seybolt, Treasurer
Mr. John H. “Jack” Tarr
Mr. Robert Bloxom
Ms. Iravon Ashby-Hope

Economic Development Authority Members Absent:

Mr. Andy Mason

Others Present:

Mr. Paul Muhly, BOS
Mr. Thomas Johnson, ESCC
Ms. Julie Bellamy, Recording Secretary

B. DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM

There being a 6 of 7 member quorum, the meeting was called to order at 9:06 a.m. Chairman Edwards mentioned the ANEC check received moments prior to the meeting. It should go directly into the County for deposit as they took over the electric and pay the bill. He added that there was \$64,000 in the proposed Accomack County budget to turn on the lights at the Accomack County Industrial Park.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

A. No public attended.

3. MINUTES

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A motion was made by Ms. Rohde and seconded by Ms. Ashby-Hope to accept the minutes from the August 14, October 9 and November 13 minutes as presented. The motion carried with all in favor.

4. TREASURER’S REPORT

A. Treasurer Calvert Seybolt presented the bank balance as of November 30, 2018 and added a check from the Hampton Roads YMCA bond was received this week. A motion was

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made by Ms. Ashby-Hope and seconded by Mr. Bloxom to accept the Treasurer's report as presented.

- B.** Questions concerning the \$2M Bond associated with the library improvements arose. A motion was made by Mr. Bloxom and seconded by Mr. Rohde to ask Chairman Edwards to ask County Administrator Mason about the amount and year of the commitment of EDA bond funds set at \$10M for CY2018. The motion carried.

5. INFORMATIONAL REPORT FROM CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS

- A.** Mr. Seybolt announced that the 2019 summer season rental bookings would begin in four weeks.

6. STAFF REPORT

7. MARKETING STRATEGIES

8. NEW BUSINESS

- A.** Mr. Seybolt stated he had topo plats that belonged to Chuck Cooley and Mr. Edwards added he had drawings from John Lecato that were in Mr. Edward's house. Mr. Seybolt asked who should keep copies. Ms. Rohde stated Stewart Hall had them.
- B.** Ms. Bellamy stated a private citizen asked about idea to purchase a lot. I advised them to submit a proposal stating what lot, how much they were willing to pay and what they intended to do on that property.

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- A. Broadband/Streetlights** Chairman Edwards gave a report on his meeting with Mr. Mason concerning infrastructure initiatives surrounding broadband and electric for streetlights. Blue Crab Bay pays only \$179/month for lightning quick internet access. Lumgair's costs are quoted at \$750/month. After discussion, the consensus was to table the ISP initiative due to responsibility and liability issues.
- B. Conduit installation** discussion led to Mr. Tarr to comment about bored electric infrastructure. Mr. Edwards mentioned for the record that Mr. Tarr was the apparent low bidder for the electric at \$64,000 and stated the need to disclose that to avoid a conflict. Mr. Edwards said Mike Mason told Mr. Edwards that Mr. Tarr had the low bid. Mr. Tarr added he had bid four times.

10. OTHER MATTERS

- A.** 2019 Proposed meeting schedule presented by Ms. Bellamy. Ms. Rohde made a motion and Ms. Ashby-Hope seconded. All were in favor of adopting.
- B. Membership Contact Info Update**
Ms. Bellamy presented the contact list for corrections and received marked up copy from Ms. Rohde.

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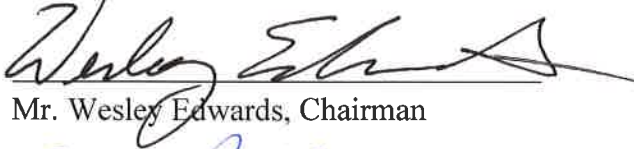
- C. A second fall EDA/JIDA meeting was scheduled for 12/12/18 in Eastville at the same time as the ANPDC Economic Development Committee meeting in Melfa.

11. NEXT MEETING

The next regular Economic Development Authority meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, January 8, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. at the Accomack County Airport Conference Room, in Melfa, Virginia.

12. ADJOURNMENT

On a motion made by Mr. Bloxom and seconded by Mr. Tarr, to adjourn the Economic Development Authority meeting at 10:12 a.m. All were in favor.


Mr. Wesley Edwards, Chairman


Recording Secretary