

The Economic Development Authority of the County of Accomack, Virginia
Regular Monthly Meeting

August 9, 2011

The Economic Development Authority met in the Conference Room of the Accomack County Airport Terminal Building, on Tuesday, August 9, 2011 at 9:00 A.M.

Members Present: John LeCato, Chairman
Mary Jester, Vice Chairman
Irene L. Davis
Robert Marshall
Iravon Ashby-Hope

Members Absent: Rhet Tignor
Shirley Zamora

Call to Order

The EDA meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by John LeCato. Chairman LeCato recognized liaison Honorable Wanda Thornton and Honorable Laura Belle Gordy and thanked them for coming. Chairman LeCato introduced the new member of the EDA, Mrs. Irene Davis.

Roll Call

The following members were present: John LeCato, Mary Jester, Irene L. Davis, Robert Marshall, and Iravon Ashby-Hope. A quorum was present.

Election of Officers

Iravon Ashby-Hope stated the following people were nominated:

Rhet Tignor, Treasurer
John LeCato, Chair
Mary Jester, Vice Chair
Steve Miner, Secretary

Robert Marshall made a motion to accept the slate as presented. Iravon Ashby-Hope seconded the motion. The motion was approved with Rhet Tignor and Shirley Zamora absent.

Public Comment

No public were in attendance.

Approval of July 12, 2011 Minutes

Mary Jester made a motion to accept the July 12, 2011 minutes as amended and Robert Marshall seconded the motion. The motion was approved with Rhet Tignor and Shirley Zamora absent.

Treasurer's Report

Mary Jester made a motion to suspend the report until next month. Iravon Ashby-Hope seconded the motion. The motion was approved with Rhet Tignor and Shirley Zamora absent.

Informational Report from Chairman and Members

Chair John LeCato stated he had received a packet from SOS Web Design which had a letter and an upgraded disk. He asked Iravon Ashby-Hope to look the materials over and give a report to the EDA at the next meeting.

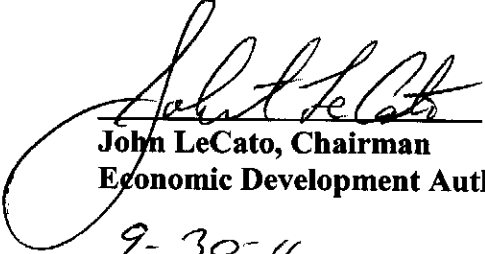
Robert Marshall told the members that a tentative date had been set for the dedication of the Launch Pad at Wallops Island however, it probably would be changed. Chairman LeCato stated he had received an email inviting the EDA and the BOS to the dedication. Mr. LeCato said he had received a grass cutting bill from the Accomack County Airport in the amount of \$106.75. Robert Marshall made a motion to approve to pay the bill. Mary Jester seconded the motion. The motion was approved with Rhet Tignor and Shirley Zamora absent. He continued and stated the total bills that were submitted to be paid was in the amount of \$4,588. Mary Jester stated they should be held until next month so they could ask Shirley Zamora about these bills. Chairman LeCato stated he had received a letter from Kathleen O'Rourke, Esquire from Chicago IL concerning Industrial Development Bond 1983. Mr. LeCato wanted it to be read into the record that this was relating to a \$5,000 Industrial Development Authority Bond that was issued by the IDA to New Church Energy Associates Project. in 1983 and she was trying to collect on it. (see copy of letter enclosed with minutes from County Attorney Mark Taylor) Mr. LeCato stated he still had not gotten a response from the County concerning the cleaning of the ditches. A discussion ensued.

Marketing Strategies

Deborah Christie, Executive Director, Wallops Research Park gave a report concerning the Wallops Research Park. She stated the Leadership Council was very much reenergized and was making great progress. Ms. Christie continued her report and stated she had received phone calls from two (2) developers that were interested in land possibly in the Industrial Park. Deborah Christie talked about the funding infrastructure for the taxiway.

Adjournment

Robert Marshall made a motion to adjourn the EDA meeting and Ira Ashby-Hope seconded the motion. The motion was approved. The meeting adjourned at 9:50 a.m.


John LeCato, Chairman
Economic Development Authority
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Date