



GREENE COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

Board Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, May 19, 2015, @ 6:00 p.m., Economic Development Office Conference Room

CALL TO ORDER

A meeting of the Economic Development Authority Board of Directors was held at 8315 Seminole Trail, Ruckersville, Virginia on May 19, 2015. The meeting convened at 6:10 p.m., with Mr. Dan Goff, Chairman, presiding.

RECORD OF ATTENDANCE

Members in Attendance: Dan Goff, Amy Hollis, Julia Morris, Michael Payne, Don Pamerter

Members not in Attendance: Karen Tucker

Non-Members in Attendance: Diana Gamma, Jay Willer, Bill Martin

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

Adjustments were made to the 4.21.15 minutes.

Amy Hollis moved to accept the April minutes. **Don Pamerter** seconded. **Motion carried.**

FINANCIALS

P & L and Balance sheets were distributed via email to all board members and hard copies were available at the meeting. These reports were reviewed.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS OR COMMITTEES

Data Committee

Michel Payne had no new data. **Mr. Goff** continues to see the need for public data regarding the size and scope of businesses in Greene County ("what land" is available and "what businesses" are already here); he suggested Michael look into 3rd party sources for compiling commercial data at less than \$1000.

Marketing Committee

No Report. **Mr. Goff** requested an interview and pictures for a front page story of the Haney-Ripley Preschool and the role the EDA played in providing financial assistance via a small business loan. **Mr. Goff** requested something more be done to market the EDA property and to follow up with Mathew Woodson, the listing agent.

Finance Committee

Julia Morris stated that the first loan payment from Haney-Ripley is due May 27. **Mr. Goff** suggested ceasing CVPED payments as well as future STAR donations. **Don Pamenter** discussed the cost of the 2013-2014 audits and his research in determining if the \$2800 cost was in line with other companies. The EDA bylaws were discussed and **Mr. Goff** asked that the most recent revision be found and reviewed before the next meeting.

Infrastructure Committee

Mr. Payne mentioned a new private pilot/plane business in Northern Albemarle County; he wondered if this type of business would attract potential business owners knowing that private transportation is available in the area. **Ms. Morris** has assumed Doug Miller's position as Infrastructure Chairman.

OLD BUSINESS

Business Park Variance Request:

In the absence of **Alan Yost**, **Mr. Goff** tabled this discussion until the next meeting.

Greene County Small Business Development Day:

Mr. Goff promoted the May 20 Greene County Small Business Development Day; flyers regarding the agenda and sign-up process were made available.

Business Park "For Sale" Signage and Marketing Results:

Mr. Goff is concerned that the asking price for the EDA property is too high; he asked **Ms. Morris** to reach out to Mathew Woodson regarding the sign update and the listing content. **Mr. Goff** would like the marketing committee to see what else can be done to market the property.

NEW BUSINESS

Landscape Clean-up:

The cost for Meriweather Mowing to weed, to mulch and to apply Preen around the Business Park entrance sign is \$595. **Mr. Goff** felt this was a reasonable cost. **Ms. Morris** moved to approve the work and associated fee. **Mr. Pamenter** seconded. **Motion carried.**

Other discussions not on the agenda:

Mr. Goff will speak with Mr. Yost about the EDA presenting its accomplishments at Board of Supervisors (BOS) meetings. **Bill Martin** will put the Tax Incentive grant (which was awarded to Performance Signs) on the agenda of the next BOS meeting to see if the grant will be extended or made permanent in the future.

Discussion ensued regarding the 4th of July celebration in Stanardsville.

Amy Hollis is concerned with the new food stand located on the corner of routes 29 and 33; she would like to be sure they have a permit to do business. Diana Gamma stated that Mr. Yost recently contacted the Commissioner of Revenue and yes, the business does have a permit.

NEXT MEETING DATE

The next meeting will be on Tuesday, June 16, 2015, at 6:00 p.m. at the Economic Development Office Conference Room

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Goff adjourned the meeting at 8:03 p.m. **Mr. Pamenter** moved to close the meeting. **Ms. Morris** seconded. **Motion Carried.**

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

None