



GREENE COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

Board Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, January 20, 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 January 20, 2015. The meeting convened at 6:06 p.m., with Mr. Dan Goff, Chairman, presiding.

RECORD OF ATTENDANCE

Members in Attendance: Dan Goff, Doug Miller, Karen Tucker

Members not in Attendance: Amy Hollis, Julia Morris, Don Pamerter, Michael Payne,

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

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

Due to no quorum, the acceptance of minutes will be addressed at the next EDA meeting on February 17, 2015.

FINANCIALS

Dan Goff reviewed the P & L and Balance Sheets.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS OR COMMITTEES

Data Committee

Doug Miller indicated that there was no update. **Mr. Goff** reiterated that the desire of the committee is to turn all data into a usable, non-copyrighted format for the website to support **Mr. Yost**, the Greene County Economic Development department and the public.

Marketing Committee

No new business was presented.

Finance Committee

No new business was presented. **Mr. Goff** indicated that the business park sign will be considered a depreciated asset.

Infrastructure Committee

No new business was presented. **Mr. Willer** complimented Alan's presentation at the Greene County Comprehensive Plan meeting which included the topic of developing an improved infrastructure. Discussion ensued regarding the current decaying and inadequate water pipes & supply in Stanardsville and possible solutions to financing improvements. **Mr. Willer** presented the question, "What role can the EDA play in the comprehensive plan to make things happen?" **Mr. Goff** will be meeting with an NTelos representative to discuss mapping and the possibility of extending fiber optics to the business parks. **Mr. Yost** made the recommendation that EDA write a letter of support to include Stanardsville water and sewer infrastructure in the water impoundment planning/financing process. **Mr. Goff** expressed a concern regarding the return on an investment in Stanardsville's infrastructure. **Mr. Martin** shared many of the positive changes being made to revitalize Stanardsville. It was determined to continue the conversation when a quorum was present to make a decision.

OLD BUSINESS

Property Update

Ms. Morris emailed a copy of the signed contract with Mathew Woodson as the listing agent for the property. **Mr. Goff** distributed copies of the MLS listing for the property; he would like to see a statement in the public or agent remarks noting that the property is owned by the EDA with the EDA willing to negotiate EDU fees, offer land lease or loans, etc. In addition, **Mr. Willer** suggested noting the proximity to Harrisonburg, James Madison University, I-81, etc.

Small Business Update

Mr. Goff recapped the small information loan discussed at the December EDA meeting. Currently, all involved are waiting for the lawyers to complete their tasks.

Lamb Property Update (Rapidan Center)

Mr. Yost met with RSA to discuss sewer availability; RSA believes the sewer system can be extended along route 29, in the easement and will be available to the property. Discussion ensued regarding possible developers for the property as well as the possibility of the County buying the property.

Sign Update for Industrial Park

Mr. Yost had a meeting with Robby Morris from Performance Signs on January 6, 2015, to review placement of the sign. Mr. Morris indicated that the sign would be installed on or before January 20, 2015. Unfortunately, due to weather and soft ground, the installation has been pushed back.

Business Park Maintenance Payment

A letter of notification will be drafted by **Mr. Miller** advising business park tenants that they will be responsible for mowing beginning January, 2016.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Goff shared information regarding a prospective sports business moving to Greene County requiring a minimum of 7500 sq. ft. The business is considering the Phillips property.

NEXT MEETING DATE

The next meeting will be on Tuesday, February 17, 2015, at 6:00 p.m. at the Economic Development Office Conference Room

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Mr. Martin reminded those present of the dates for the two upcoming festivals to be held in Stanardsville: The Mountain Heritage & Antique Festival on April 11 & 12 and The Virginia Clay Festival on September 26 & 27. **Mr. Willer** invited all to attend the Wednesday night public hearing and work session at 7:30 p.m. in the County Office Building. The topic for the public hearing is parking lot requirements in regard to storm water regulations; the work session will include discussion about the July 1, 2014, state law change regarding wineries and breweries and their locations.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Goff closed the meeting at 7:23 p.m.