

**Economic Development Authority of Patrick County**

Meeting of August 9, 2023, 7:00 PM

106 Rucker Street, Patrick County Administration Building, Second Floor Conference Room

Present: Bill Clark, Chairman; Ron Haley, Vice-Chairman; Debra Shelor; Danny Foley; Glenn Roycroft; Clayton Kendrick.

Also Present: Tim Hall, Interim County Administrator; Patrick Cooper, EDA Director

Absent: Harold Gregory; David Lusk

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**Introduction**

Mr. Clark called the meeting to order and moved to approve the August 9, 2023 agenda. On a motion by Mr. Haley, seconded by Mrs. Shelor, the Authority approved the meeting agenda.

**Minutes**

On motion by Mrs. Shelor, seconded by Mr. Foley, the June 20, 2023 meeting minutes were approved by the Authority.

**Public Comment**

There was no public comment.

**Finance Report**

Mr. Cooper shared financial information with the EDA, based on notes from County Finance Director Lori Jones. Mr. Cooper brought up a request from James Houchins of the Department of Tourism to have the EDA return \$30,000 to the Tourism office that was donated to support the "Operation Game Changer" project. That project did not come to fruition.

General discussion occurred about other financial items, including the paying of bills. On a motion by Mr. Roycroft and a second by Mrs. Shelor, the Authority approved the financial report and bills for this month, including the request from the Department of Tourism for the return of the \$30,000.

**Old Business**

Todd Cummings was on the agenda for discussion about the Façade Grant application for his property at 407 Patrick Avenue. However, Mr. Cummings was not in attendance and the Authority tabled discussion on his application.

**New Business**

Tim Hall, Interim County Administrator, briefed the EDA on a contract with Hill Studio that the Board of Supervisors will be asked to approve at its August meeting. Hill Studio will seek to determine the preliminary feasibility of buildings at 407-409 Patrick Avenue and 101 Commerce Street to be renovated and put back into operation. The contract is for \$40,000 and paid for by an Industrial Revitalization Fund grant from the Department of Housing and Community Development.

Mr. Hall reported that the County/EDA have requested an extension on the completion of the Project Management Plan for the Business Development Center. Mr. Hall said he is hopeful that the extension will be granted.


**Executive Session**

On a motion by Mr. Haley and second by Mr. Foley, the Authority entered Executive Session at 7:40 p.m. under section 2.2-3711 (A) Acquisition and/or disposition of real estate.

On a motion by Mr. Haley and a second by Mrs. Shelor and carried, the Authority left Executive Session and re-entered Open Session. Members certified that only items cited in the motion to enter Executive Session were discussed and no action was taken.

On a motion by Mr. Roycroft and a second by Mr. Haley, the meeting was adjourned by general consent at 8:50 p.m.

**NEXT MEETING: August 23, 2023 at 7:00pm- Second Floor Conference Room**

*Vice*   
Chairman

8/30/23  
Date