

Economic Development Authority of Patrick County

Meeting of August 13, 2015
7:00pm-Second floor conference room

Present: Glenn Roycroft, Chair; Dale Puckett, Vice Chair; Bill Clark, Secretary; Ron Haley, Clayton Kendrick, Jerry Hopkins

Also Present: Tom Rose, County Administrator; Karl Weiss, Board of Supervisors; Denise Stirewalt, Associate; Steve Schwartz, Blue Ridge Heritage

Absent: Brenda Roberson

A meeting of the Economic Development Authority of Patrick County was held on August 13, 2015 at 7:00 PM in the second floor conference room of the Patrick County Veteran's Memorial Building.

Mr. Rose called the meeting to order. The agenda was presented for approval. On motion by Mr. Haley seconded by Mr. Puckett and carried, the authority approved the August 13, 2015 agenda.

Voting Aye: Glenn Roycroft, Chair; Dale Puckett, Vice Chair; Bill Clark, Secretary; Ron Haley, Clayton Kendrick, Jerry Hopkins
Voting Nay: N/A
Abstaining: N/A

Mr. Rose stated that Mr. Roycroft and Mr. Clark have agreed to continue serving on the board for another term, and that new officers need to be appointed. After a brief discussion, on motion by Mr. Roycroft, seconded by Mr. Hopkins and carried, the authority approved Dale Puckett as the new chairman.

Voting Aye: Glenn Roycroft, Chair; Bill Clark, Secretary; Ron Haley, Clayton Kendrick, Jerry Hopkins
Voting Nay: N/A
Abstaining: Dale Puckett

On motion by Mr. Roycroft, seconded by Mr. Hopkins and carried, the authority approved Mr. Clark as Vice Chairman.

Voting Aye: Glenn Roycroft, Chair; Dale Puckett, Vice Chair; Ron Haley, Clayton Kendrick, Jerry Hopkins
Voting Nay: N/A
Abstaining: Bill Clark

On motion by Mr. Roycroft, seconded by Mr. Hopkins and carried, the authority approved Brenda Roberson as Secretary.

Voting Aye: Glenn Roycroft, Chair; Dale Puckett, Vice Chair; Bill Clark, Secretary; Ron Haley, Clayton Kendrick, Jerry Hopkins
Voting Nay: N/A
Abstaining: N/A

Mr. Puckett continued the meeting as the new Chairman.

The minutes of the June 11, 2015 meeting were presented for approval. On motion by Mr. Hopkins, seconded by Mr. Roycroft and carried, the authority approved the June 11, 2015 minutes.

Voting Aye: Glenn Roycroft, Chair; Dale Puckett, Vice Chair; Bill Clark, Secretary; Ron Haley, Clayton Kendrick, Jerry Hopkins
Voting Nay: N/A
Abstaining:

FINANCE REPORT (BILLS):

Mr. Rose presented the EDA finance report. (Finance report is available). On motion by Mr. Clark, seconded by Mr. Roycroft and carried, the authority approved the Finance report and payment of bills.

Voting Aye: Glenn Roycroft, Chair; Dale Puckett, Vice Chair; Bill Clark, Secretary; Ron Haley, Clayton Kendrick, Jerry Hopkins
Voting Nay: N/A
Abstaining: N/A

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Steve Schwartz with Blue Ridge Heritage gave an update on the progress at Blue Ridge Heritage. Blue Ridge Heritage received a grant for the planning, development, implementation, and construction of a visitor's center and trail for Rocky Knob. Future plans include an Education Center to that offers programs and classes to teach sustainable independent living. Floyd & Patrick Counties contribute annually to assist with their operations. A gap analysis was completed to determine what people want to see on the Blue Ridge Parkway. The analysis can be viewed by visiting blueridgeheritage.org. Their master site plan, models of the planned facility, and artist's rendering are almost complete.

OLD BUSINESS

RESULTS -Mr. Rose reported that the carpet installation at Results is scheduled for this weekend (August 14-16th).

EDA LAND- Clearing of the land was completed on June 24th. Mr. Rose stated that EDA may need to think about doing an engineering site plan. Suggestions were made to market the property as is, and to get the property to where it can be maintained, then put a sign on it.

HOTEL-Mr. Rose reported that an investor meeting was held at PHCC last week and he felt it was a positive, productive meeting. The developer has ordered a new study, and will prepare a new construction budget to be distributed once complete.

DISTILLERY-Mr. Rose reported that samples were taken to Richmond in early July. Approval to move forward is expected any day.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Rose reported that Mark Woods wife (Woods Produce) passed away. We will send a card on behalf of EDA.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

On motion by Mr. Clark, seconded by Mr. Haley and carried unanimously, the meeting was called into Executive Session under the appropriate codes of Virginia to discuss Legal matters [Section 2.2-3711(A) (7),]; [1950 Code of Virginia], Real estate [Section 2.2-3711(A) (3), 1950 Code of Virginia], and Contracts [Section 2.2-3711 (A) (29)], 1950 Code of Virginia. A roll call was taken with unanimous vote.

Voting Aye: Glenn Roycroft, Chair; Dale Puckett, Vice Chair; Bill Clark, Secretary; Ron Haley, Clayton Kendrick, Jerry Hopkins
Voting Nay: N/A
Abstaining: N/A

RECONVENE

On motion by Mr. Kendrick and seconded by Mr. Hopkins and carried unanimously, the meeting was reconvened by the appropriate codes. A roll call vote was taken with unanimous vote that only the items listed above were discussed during Executive Session.

Voting Aye: Glenn Roycroft, Chair; Dale Puckett, Vice Chair; Bill Clark, Secretary; Ron Haley, Clayton Kendrick, Jerry Hopkins
Voting Nay: N/A
Abstaining: N/A

ADJOURNMENT

Being no further business to discuss, on motion by Mr. Clark, seconded by Mr. Hopkins and carried unanimously, the meeting was adjourned.

Voting Aye: Glenn Roycroft, Chair; Dale Puckett, Vice Chair; Bill Clark, Secretary; Ron Haley, Clayton Kendrick, Jerry Hopkins
Voting Nay: N/A
Abstaining: N/A

Chairman

Date

**NEXT MEETING:
September 10, 2015, 7:00pm, Second floor conference room**