

# Economic Development Authority of Patrick County

Meeting of March 10, 2011

Present: Glenn Roycroft, Chairman; Gail Harding, Vice Chairperson; Terry Dalton, Secretary; Felecia Shelor. Twyla Neil, and Ron Haley

Also Present: Tom Rose, Economic Development Director; Wilma Pendleton, Administrative Assistant, Karl Weiss, BOS, Lock Boyce and Brian Ratliff

Absent: Dale Puckett and Lisa Martin

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A meeting of the Economic Development Authority of Patrick County was held on Thursday, March 10, 2011 at 7:00 PM in the second floor conference room of the Patrick County Veteran's Memorial Building.

Mr. Roycroft called the meeting to order. The agenda was presented for approval. On motion by Mr. Haley, seconded by Mr. Dalton and carried the board approved the agenda with additions.

Voting Aye: Glenn Roycroft, Chairman; Gail Harding, Vice Chairperson; Terry Dalton, Secretary; Felecia Shelor. Twyla Neil, and Ron Haley

Voting Nay: N/A

Abstaining: N/A

The minutes of February 10, 2011 meeting were presented for approval. On motion by Ms. Harding, seconded by Mr. Haley and carried, the board approved the minutes with corrections.

Voting Aye: Glenn Roycroft, Chairman; Gail Harding, Vice Chairperson; Terry Dalton, Secretary; Felecia Shelor. Twyla Neil, and Ron Haley

Voting Nay: N/A

Abstaining: N/A

## **FINANCE REPORT (BILLS):**

Mr. Rose presented the EDA finance reports for monthly billings. (Finance report is available). On motion by Mr. Dalton seconded by Ms. Neil and carried the board approved to pay the bills.

Voting Aye: Glenn Roycroft, Chairman; Gail Harding, Vice Chairperson; Terry Dalton, Secretary; Felecia Shelor. Twyla Neil, and Ron Haley

Voting Nay: N/A

Abstaining: N/A

## **OFFICE UPDATES:**

### **Aerial**

Mr. Rose informed the board that he spoke with the plant manager at Aerial and there was talk of putting people back to work at both the Ararat and Stuart facility within the next few months because they received their former contract to build the fuselage jackets that go underneath the military vehicles that put out fires.

### **LG Southside Update**

Mr. Rose informed the board that the Southern Virginia Regional Alliance was receiving resumes and they were reviewing them and would start the interview process shortly. They would be interviewing approximately five applicants within the next two weeks.

### **Rich Creek Corporate Park**

Mr. Rose informed the board that the meeting with David Hughes/VDOT was a success and that they had agreed that the back end of the park was sufficient for VDOT standards when a couple of trees were cut down.

### **PSA Update-PSW&S**

Mr. Rose informed the board that the reimbursements for the water was currently coming from the Tobacco Indemnification Commission and when that grant was finished, the money would start coming from the USDA.

Mr. Rose informed the board that there would be a public hearing on March 14, 2011 at 7 PM in the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor board room of the Veteran's Memorial Building concerning the Patrick Springs Water and Sewer project.

He also informed the board that the PSA had met and was preparing the user agreements for mailing. They have one easement left to obtain and the possibility of another being taken.

He also informed the board that he spoke with the auditors of both the Town of Stuart and Patrick County and they had agreed to allow the Town of Stuart to use the same computer and software to do the billing as long as they billing were done separately and perhaps on separate dates. Later, Patrick County would be able to use their RDA system to do the billing because the system is set up for billing.

## **OTHER BUSINESS:**

### **Budget**

Mr. Rose informed the board that the budget took a little over an eight percent cut and had been approved by the Board of Supervisors to use the remaining \$40,000 to fix the ditch line at the entrance into RCCP. It was estimated that it would cost approximately \$45,000 at one time to repair the ditch line to meet VDOT standards.

**Contact Business List**

Mr. Rose informed that board that when the budget had been set that he was going to set up a regime for either he or Ms. Pendleton to visit some of the businesses like he was doing before. Time has been an issue lately.

**PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

Mr. Roycroft welcomed the two visitors to the board meeting, Mr. Brian Ratliff and Mr. Lock Boyce.

Mr. Boyce asked if the \$40,000 in the line item for the budget could be spared and spent in another area since they approved \$40,000 for the emergency generator/air compressor. He did not know how much they would really need to put towards the EDA debt service. The board had discussion and decided that if it did not cost \$40,000 to have the entrance fixed that the money could go back into the general fund or contingency fund. Mr. Weiss was also in favor of giving it back to the county if it was not needed by the EDA. However, the ditch line needs to be fixed so it can be turned over to VDOT for them to maintain.

Mr. Brian Ratliff of Town & Country Market on Route 58 in Patrick Springs addressed the board concerning small business loans. He is in the process of selling his place of business in Patrick Springs and stated that it is hard to borrow money from the banks at this time. Even a small amount of money would help the small business person. Mr. Rose stated that he and Dick Ephgrave with the Longwood Small Business College had been working on a business plan with the person of interest for the business. The water is already there now and the sewer should be there some time in August. No letters of agreement have been sent out yet stating that the water can be used.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

There was no executive session.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Being no further business to discuss, on motion by Ms. Neil seconded by Mr. Dalton and carried; the meeting was adjourned.

Voting Aye: Glenn Roycroft, Chairman; Gail Harding, Vice Chairperson; Terry Dalton, Secretary; Felecia Shelor. Twyla Neil, and Ron Haley

Voting Nay: N/A

Abstaining: N/A

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Chairperson

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Date

**NEXT MEETING: April 14, 2011**