

# Economic Development Authority of Patrick County

Meeting of September 9, 2010

Present: Glenn Roycroft, Chairman; Dale Puckett, Felecia Shelor, Ron Haley, Gail Harding, Vice Chairperson; and Terry Dalton, Secretary

Also Present: Tom Rose, Economic Development Director; and Wilma Pendleton

Absent: Twyla Neil

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A meeting of the Economic Development Authority of Patrick County was held on Thursday, September 9, 2010 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. Executive Session was added to the agenda.

Voting Aye: Glenn Roycroft, Dale Puckett, Felecia Shelor, Ron Haley, Gail Harding, and Terry Dalton

Voting Nay: N/A

Abstaining: N/A

The minutes of August 12, 2010 meeting were presented for approval. On motion by Ms. Harding, seconded by Mr. Dalton and carried, the board approved the minutes.

Voting Aye: Glenn Roycroft, Dale Puckett, Gail Harding, Terry Dalton and Ron Haley

Voting Nay: N/A

Abstaining: Felecia Shelor

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

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

Voting Aye: Glenn Roycroft, Dale Puckett, Felecia Shelor, Ron Haley, Gail Harding, and Terry Dalton

Voting Nay: N/A

Abstaining: N/A

## **OFFICE UPDATES:**

### **Lt. Governor meeting update**

Mr. Rose updated the board on the conference call concerning the Southside initiative that would be held at Primland on October 22, 2010.

## **SRI meeting**

Mr. Rose informed the board about the meeting that was held on September 1, 2010 with SRI consultant Matty Mathieson Director, Center for Science, Technology and Economic Development. SRI International is an independent, nonprofit research institute conducting client-sponsored research and development for government agencies, commercial businesses, foundations, and other organizations. The meeting was held at the Patrick County School Board conference room. Also present and giving brief presentations of their involvement in Patrick County were Dr. Morris, Superintendent of the Patrick County School Board; Joan Hullett, Director of West Piedmont Planning District Commission; Jerry Hughes, Director of the Patrick County Education Foundation; Glenn Roycroft, Chairman of the EDA; and Doug McDaniel, of Stuart Flooring. It was a three hour meeting which was integrated with the total Southside Initiative. Mr. Mathieson discussed how other localities did or did not work well together and he commended Patrick County for working well with other localities. Mr. Mathieson will present a preliminary report within a couple of weeks.

Mr. Roycroft commended Mr. Rose on the great job that he did in planning the meeting and getting everyone involved in order to give Mr. Mathieson an overview of the county.

## **2010 Strategic Plan**

Mr. Rose informed the board that he was in the beginning process of editing the Strategic Plan, but was waiting for the preliminary report from Mr. Mathieson before putting it altogether.

## **Results Job Fair**

Mr. Rose informed the board that there had been a job fair for the 150 jobs that were available at Results, plus there would be an open house at Results for anyone interested in securing work at Results. He informed the Board that Results had two new contracts, one with LG and the other with GE. These calls would be outbound calls, where most of Results labor has been for inbound calls. He told the Board that the new HR Director was Beverly Riddle, formerly from American Furniture.

Ms. Harding thought it was notable that Patrick County was only 118<sup>th</sup> out of 134 in the unemployment rate and Martinsville City was 134<sup>th</sup> out of 134.

Mr. Rose also informed the Board at this time that although Aerial had some layoffs, that they were able to meet the first phase of their performance agreement as they worked with the Commissioner of Revenue.

He also informed the Board that the HVAC system had been installed. He also stated that it was time for the Economizer and the Board voted.

On motion by Mr. Puckett seconded by Ms. Harding and carried the board approved to have the Economizer installed that had previously been voted on.

Voting Aye: Glenn Roycroft, Dale Puckett, Felecia Shelor, Ron Haley, Gail Harding,  
and Terry Dalton  
Voting Nay: N/A  
Abstaining: N/A

**OTHER BUSINESS:**

**Town of Stuart update-Letter to Sarah Capps**

Mr. Rose informed the board he sent the letter to Sarah Capps (Southside Tobacco representative) concerning the redistribution of the \$1,436,000.00 grant that was received for the Patrick Springs water and sewer project. Since the project came in under bid the money will not be utilized for that project and \$261,000 is being redistributed to the Town of Stuart in order to re-route the sewer line and repair a bent water line due to the collapsed floor at Stuart Forestry. He informed the Board that a de-obligation from the PWW&S project had not been discussed.

**PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

There was no one present for the public comment period.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

On motion by Mr. Dalton and seconded by Mr. Puckett 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, as amended].

Voting Aye: Glenn Roycroft, Dale Puckett, Felecia Shelor, Ron Haley, Gail Harding,  
and Terry Dalton  
Voting Nay: N/A  
Abstaining: N/A

On motion by Ms. Harding and seconded by Mr. Dalton 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, Dale Puckett, Felecia Shelor, Ron Haley, Gail Harding,  
and Terry Dalton  
Voting Nay: N/A  
Abstaining: N/A

The Board had discussion concerning the VDOT punch list at the entrance of Rich Creek Corporate Park. They discussed how far the ditch line had been undermined and how close it was to undermining the road. They also discussed the possibility of the road being unsafe in the future if the problems were not addressed and the possibility of closing the road if it became a safety hazard. They also discussed maintenance doing the other work for the section of road that went behind Results.

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

Voting Aye: Glenn Roycroft, Dale Puckett, Felecia Shelor, Ron Haley, Gail Harding, and Terry Dalton

Voting Nay: N/A

Abstaining: N/A

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Chairperson

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Date

**NEXT MEETING: October 14, 2010**