

Attendance

Members:

• Josh Gaita, Chair	Chancellor District (McLaughlin)	Present	
• Thomas Welsh	Berkeley District (Marshall)		Absent
• Hart Rutherford	Lee Hill District (Skinner)	Present	
• Edwin Pardue	Livingston District (Benton)	Present	
• Donn Hart	Salem District (Trampe)	Present	
• <i>Vacant</i>	Battlefield District (Yakabouski)		
• <i>Vacant</i>	Courtland District (Ross)		

Staff and Guests:

- Brendan Hefty, Hefty & Wiley, P.C.
- Chris Yakabouski, Spotsylvania Board of Supervisors, Battlefield District
- Tom Rumora, Director of Economic Development and Tourism
- Debbie Sanders, Deputy Director of Economic Development and Tourism
- Meggie Roche, Economic Development and Tourism
- Mark Miles, Battlefield District Appointee
- Al King, Courtland District Appointee

Call to Order

Mr. Gaita called the meeting to order at 8:00 AM and confirmed a quorum.

Welcome New Members

New members Mr. Miles, Battlefield District, and Mr. King, Courtland District, were welcomed to the EDA.

Approval of Minutes

Mr. Pardue moved to approve the minutes of the December 6th 2018 meeting, and the December 14th 2018 meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Hart and passed by the following recorded votes:

Ayes: 4 Mr. Gaita, Mr. Pardue, Mr. Rutherford, Mr. Hart

Nays: 0

Absent: 1

Abstain: 0

Election of Officers

Mr. Rutherford nominated Mr. Gaita for the position of Chairman. The nomination was seconded by Mr. Hart and approved unanimously.

Mr. Hart nominated Mr. Rutherford for the position of Vice Chairman. The nomination was seconded by Mr. Pardue and approved unanimously.

Mr. Pardue nominated Mrs. Sanders for the position of Secretary. The nomination was seconded by Mr. Rutherford and approved unanimously.

The nomination of Treasurer was postponed until the March 28th meeting.

Establishment of Meeting Times and Dates

Mr. Hart motioned to continue the current meeting schedule. The motion was seconded by Mr. Pardue and approved unanimously.

Strategic Plan Committee Update

The strategic planning committee had not met since the last EDA meeting and had no updates.

Unfinished Business

No unfinished business.

Closed Session

No closed session.

New Business

Mr. Rumora updated the EDA on staffing changes taking place in the County. Courtney Owens, Department of Economic Development, will be leaving on February 4th. Mark Taylor, County Administrator, will be leaving in April.

Mr. Yakabouski informed the EDA that he has been appointed to the Fredericksburg Regional Alliance Board of Directors.

Mr. Rumora updated the EDA on the status of the Back 40 project. The project has gone through the finance committee and was recommended for approval. The project is scheduled to go before the BOS on February 12th. Mr. Yakabouski added that he expects a stop light will eventually be needed to mitigate traffic concerns surrounding the project.

Adjournment

The next EDA meeting will take place on March 28, 2019 at 8:00 AM. On a motion by Mr. Rutherford, seconded by Mr. Pardue, and carried unanimously; the meeting was adjourned at 10:00 AM.