

Attendance

Members:

• Josh Gaita, Chair	Chancellor District (McLaughlin)	Present	
• Marc G. Smith, Vice Chair	Battlefield District (Yakabouski)	Present (Remote)	
• Thomas Welsh	Berkeley District (Marshall)		Absent
• Garrett Garner	Courtland District (Ross)	Present	
• Edwin Pardue	Livingston District (Benton)	Present	
• Hart Rutherford	Lee Hill District (Skinner)		Absent
• Donn Hart	Salem District (Trampe)	Present	

Staff and Guests:

- Danielle Powell, Hefty & Wiley, P.C.
- Mark Taylor, County Administrator
- Charles W. Payne, Hirschler Fleischer
- Larry Pullen, Print Mail Communications
- Sean Nelson, Virginia Department of Transportation
- Tom Rumora, Director of Economic Development and Tourism
- Debbie Sanders, Deputy Director of Economic Development and Tourism
- Jennifer Scott, Economic Development Specialist
- Courtney Owens, Project Management Coordinator

Call to Order

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

Mr. Pardue moved to approve the minutes of the January 25th, March 8th, and April 10th, 2018 meetings. The motion was seconded by Mr. Hart, and passed by the following recorded votes:

Ayes: 4 Mr. Gaita, Mr. Garner, Mr. Rutherford, Mr. Moody, Mr. Davis, Mr. Smith

Nays: 0

Absent: 3 Mr. Smith, Mr. Welsh, Mr. Rutherford

Abstain: 0

Mr. Smith attended the meeting remotely due to a work obligation that required him to be out of town.

Election of Treasurer

Mr. Pardue nominated Mr. Garner for the position of Treasurer. The nomination was seconded by Mr. Hart and approved unanimously.

Print Mail Communications (PMC) Presentations

In January of 2018, PMC requested that the County expand and extend their current BPOL agreement to \$416,000 over the next ten (10) years, as well as implement a Personal Property Tax agreement similar to the BPOL for taxes paid by PMC, or leasing companies for equipment used in their facility, with a total maximum of \$600,000. At the March 8th meeting of the EDA, the EDA reviewed PMC's existing agreement with no changes. Larry Pullen, CEO of PMC, and Charlie Payne, Hirschler Fleischer, representing PMC, gave a brief overview of PMC's growth in Spotsylvania and requested that the EDA reconsider their proposed changes to the existing Agreement. The Chairman stated that the EDA would make a decision at their next meeting on June 28, 2018.

Closed Session

Mr. Pardue moved that the EDA convene in closed session pursuant to section 2.2-3711(A)(5) of the Code of Virginia for discussion of concerning a prospective business or industry or the expansion of an existing business or industry where no previous announcement has been made of the business' or industry's interest in locating or expanding its facilities in the County. And pursuant to section 2.2.-3711(A)(3) of the Code of Virginia for discussion or consideration of the acquisition of real property for a public purpose, or of the disposition of publicly held real property, concerning the Back 40 property where discussion in an open meeting would adversely affect the bargaining position or negotiating strategy of the Economic Development Authority. The motion was seconded by Mr. Garner and passed by the following recorded votes:

Ayes: 5 Mr. Gaita, Mr. Pardue, Mr. Garner, Mr. Smith, Mr. Hart

Nays: 0
Absent: 2 Mr. Welsh, Mr. Rutherford
Abstain: 0

Mr. Pardue moved that the EDA certify by roll call vote that only the matter identified in the motion to convene in closed session and lawfully exempted under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act was heard, discussed, or considered. Mr. Garner seconded the motion, which passed by the following recorded votes:

Ayes: 5 Mr. Gaita, Mr. Pardue, Mr. Garner, Mr. Smith, Mr. Hart
Nays: 0
Absent: 2 Mr. Welsh, Mr. Rutherford
Abstain: 0

Mr. Garner moved that EDA encourage the County to adopt a PPTA policy. The motion was seconded by Mr. Hart and passed by the following recorded votes:

Ayes: 5 Mr. Gaita, Mr. Pardue, Mr. Garner, Mr. Smith, Mr. Hart
Nays: 0
Absent: 2 Mr. Welsh, Mr. Rutherford
Abstain: 0

Strategic Plan Subcommittee

The Chairman informed the EDA that he would like for them to form a two-person subcommittee for strategic planning. This subcommittee would meet independently throughout the year and the end result would be a meeting at the end of the year where the EDA would work to finalize the strategic plan. Mr. Rutherford has already volunteered to be one member of the subcommittee. Both Mr. Pardue and Mr. Garner offered to serve as the second member of the subcommittee. The chairman stated that the EDA will formalize the members of the subcommittee at their next meeting.

Adjournment

The next EDA meeting will take place on June 28, 2018 at 8:00 AM. On a motion by Mr. Pardue, seconded by Mr. Hart, and carried unanimously; the meeting was adjourned at 10:30 AM.