

**Minutes of
The Economic Development Authority
Of the County of Accomack, Virginia**

**The Economic Development Authority met in the Conference Room of the
Accomack County Airport Terminal Building, on Tuesday, October 8, 2013 at 9:00 A.M.**

Members Present: John LeCato, Chairman
 Robert Bloxom
 Shirley Zamora
 Ira Ashby-Hope
 Wesley Edwards
 Calvert Seybolt

Members Absent: Irene Davis

Others Present: Rich Morrison, Director of Planning
 Lynn Sherwood, Airport Departmental Secretary

Call to Order

The EDA meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Chairman LeCato.

Mr. LeCato acknowledged that Rich Morrison was in attendance.

Public Comment

There was no public in attendance.

Approval of September 10, 2013 Minutes

Mr. Edwards made a motion to accept the September 10, 2013 minutes; Ms. Zamora seconded the motion; the motion was approved.

Treasurer's Report

Mr. Edwards said that there was \$15,998.98 in the bank account. Mr. Edwards also said that a refund check for \$59.45 had been received from ANEC.

Informational Report from Chairman and Members

Ms Zamora said that the Sugar Shack in Tasley would now be open year around and a coffee shop would soon be opening in the old bank in Onancock.

Mr. Seybolt said that the rental business on Chincoteague was being affected by the beach closure.

Mr. Edwards reminded the EDA that they still needed to have someone attend a meeting and help with the issue of wetlands in the Park. A discussion ensued. Ms. Ashby-Hope made a motion for Mr. Morrison to invite Mr. Carbaugh to a meeting; Mr. Seybolt seconded the motion; the motion was approved.

Mr. Bloxom said that a potato chip company was looking to locate in Accomack County. A discussion ensued.

Mr. LeCato said that he was signing the papers today to complete the Truss Tech land sale. Mr. Edwards said that the BaySys building was for sale and that some of the previous employees were commuting to Newport News and working with Mr. Walton's new company.

Mr. Morrison said that the Chamber of Commerce was having a speaker on November 15th to discuss the new Federal Health Care Act and that the EDA was invited to attend. Mr. Morrison also said that he had been contacted by VDOT about the Eastern Shore Community College (ESCC) still pursuing a signal light to be put at the Park entrance. A lengthy discussion ensued. Mr. LeCato called for a vote to send a letter supporting the need for a traffic light at the Park entrance:

Mr. LeCato	aye
Ms. Ashby-Hope	aye
Mr. Bloxom	aye
Mr. Seybolt	aye
Ms. Zamoara	aye
Mr. Edwards	nay

Mr. Morrison said that Orbital will be leasing a building in Temperanceville once it is completed.

Closed Session

Mr. Edwards made a motion to go into closed session, pursuant to Section 2.2-3711.5 of the Code of Virginia for the discussion 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 location or expanding its facilities in the community. Ms. Ashby-Hope seconded the motion; the motion was approved.

Closed session convened at 9:40 a.m.

At the conclusion of the Closed Session the door was opened.

Chairman LeCato declared the meeting open to the public at 9:56 am.

Certification of Closed Session

To reconvene in open session a roll call vote was taken Pursuant to Section 2.2-3712-D of the Code of Virginia immediately after reconvening in Open Meeting, at which time each member certified by his vote that (i) only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under this chapter and (ii) only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened were heard, discussed or considered in the meeting by the public body:

Mr. LeCato	aye
Ms. Ashby-Hope	aye
Mr. Bloxom	aye
Mr. Edwards	aye
Mr. Seybolt	aye
Ms. Zamora	aye

Informational Reports – Continued

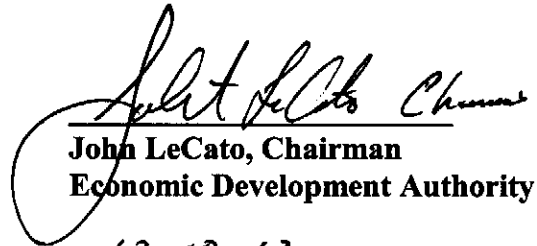
Mr. Morrison said that the hospital was having a ground breaking on October 22nd. A discussion ensued.

Marketing Strategies

Mr. LeCato said that Ms. Davis had emailed the members with updated structure for the new booklet. A discussion ensued. Mr. Edwards made a motion to have the booklets printed; Ms. Ashby-Hope seconded the motion; a discussion ensued. Mr. Edwards amended the motion to accept the lowest bid proposal per Ms. Davis' recommendation; Ms. Ashby-Hope seconded the motion; the motion was approved.

Adjournment

Mr. Edwards made a motion to adjourn the meeting; Mr. Bloxom seconded the motion; the motion was approved. The meeting adjourned at 10:04 a.m.


John LeCato, Chairman
Economic Development Authority
12-10-13
Date