

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY MINUTES OF OCTOBER 11, 2016

At a meeting of the Economic Development Authority held on the 11th day October 2016, in the Accomack County Airport Conference Room, in Melfa, Virginia.

1. CALL TO ORDER

A. MEMBERS PRESENT AND ABSENT

Economic Development Authority Members Present:

Mr. John LeCato, Chairman
Mr. Wesley Edwards, Treasurer
Mr. C. Ray Davis
Ms. Ira Ashby-Hope
Mr. Calvert Seybolt, Vice Chairman
Ms. Stella Rohde
Mr. Robert Bloxom

Members Absent:

None

Others Present:

Ms. Kristen Tremblay, Assistant Planner
Mr. Paul Muhly, Board of Supervisors' Liaison, District 4

B. DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM

There being a quorum, the meeting was called to order at 9:06 a.m.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Chairman LeCato opened the floor for the public comment period.

No one signed up or requested to speak.

3. MINUTES

A. September 13, 2016

On a motion made by Ms. Rohde and seconded by Mr. Edwards, the Economic Development Authority voted to approve the September 13, 2016 minutes.

4. TREASURER'S REPORT

The EDA discussed the leasing of land to Marshall's Tree Service and its terms and conditions.

On a motion made Mr. Edwards and seconded by Mr. Davis, the Economic Development Authority voted to allow leasing of land to Marshall's Tree Service at a rate of \$150 monthly.

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Mr. Edwards reported that there have been no changes; the balance is still \$37,119.30. Mr. Edwards also provided an update on the landscape bill that was unauthorized. Discussion ensued regarding the County Airport groundskeeper taking care of the EDA lands.

5. INFORMATIONAL REPORT FROM CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS

A. Ms. Rohde

Ms. Rohde provided the EDA with the proposed lease agreement between the EDA and Marshall's Tree Service.

B. Mr. Edwards

Mr. Edwards had nothing to report.

C. Ms. Ashby-Hope

Ms. Ashby-Hope had nothing to report.

D. Mr. Davis

Mr. Davis had nothing to report.

E. Mr. Seybolt

Mr. Seybolt had nothing to report.

F. Chairman LeCato

Chairman LeCato provided Mr. Edwards with a check in the amount of \$350, from ANEC, to deposit.

Chairman LeCato and the EDA discussed removal of trees and stumps, estimates received, and profit that could be made from the sale of timber.

A brief discussion was held regarding the sale of land to Coastal Ag; Mr. Edwards informed the EDA that the Board of Supervisors will be approached to allow Cela Burge, County Attorney, to do the work.

The EDA also discussed:

- Its support of the Industrial Park light
- The sale of BaySys property
- Restoration of the airplane to be moved to the entrance of the Industrial Park

6. MARKETING STRATEGIES

Discussion continued from the September meeting regarding the County hosting the EDA's website. Mr. Miner, County Attorney, advised that there may be incidental charges to the County hosting the EDA's website. It was agreed upon that the site should be ready by June 1, 2017.

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7. OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. Edwards expressed his dissatisfaction with the joint meeting between the EDA and Northampton's JIDA.

The EDA was reminded that the next two (2) joint meetings would be held in Northampton County.

8. NEXT MEETING

The next regular Economic Development Authority meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, November 8, 2016 at 9:00 a.m. at the Accomack County Airport Conference Room, in Melfa, Virginia.

9. ADJOURNMENT

On a motion made by Mr. Edwards and seconded by Ms. Rohde, the Economic Development Authority voted to adjourn the meeting at 10:36 a.m.

Mr. John LeCato, Chairman

Jessica L. Taylor, Recording Secretary