

**THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY  
OF STAFFORD COUNTY, VIRGINIA**

REGULAR BIMONTHLY MEETING MINUTES  
May 11, 2012

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

The regularly scheduled bimonthly meeting of The Economic Development Authority (EDA), of Stafford County, Virginia was held on May 11, 2012 in the Board Chambers of the Stafford County Government Center located at 1300 Courthouse Road Stafford, Virginia at 1:30 P.M. A quorum was present.

Members Present

Don Newlin	Chairman
Joel Griffin	Vice Chairman
David Beiler	
Jo Knight	
Jack Rowley	
Wendy Maurer - Late	

Members Absent

None

Also Present:

Tim Barody	Secretary
Brad Johnson	Treasurer

**2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Motion for approval of the February 10, 2012 Regular Meeting Minutes was made by Mr. Newlin. Ms. Knight seconded.

**VOTE**            6-0 approved

3. **PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS**

None

4. **TREASURER'S REPORT**

- April 2012 – Unencumbered fund balance \$112,723.94
- May 2012 – Unencumbered fund balance 136,486.68

A motion was made by Mr. Rowley to accept the Treasurer's report. Ms. Knight seconded the motion.

**VOTE:** 7-0 Approved

5. **SECRETARY'S REPORT**

Mr. Baroody gave the following update:

- Research and Tech Park Update – Silver Companies has given the Stafford Board of Supervisors 2 acres and will pay for already established 1140sf of leased space for classes to be offered by George Mason University, University of Mary Washington, and Germanna Community College. Discussion followed.
- Economic Development Website –The new Economic Development website has launched with the address, [www.GoStaffordVa.com](http://www.GoStaffordVa.com). The new website focuses on site selectors needs.
- Stafford County's Annual Business Appreciation Luncheon – Bethany Miller spoke. The luncheon will be held June 7, 2012 at Riverside Conference Center. This year's theme is "The Year of the Entrepreneur" and the EDA will be giving two awards for "Entrepreneur of the Year". The Key note speaker will be Martin Briley, President and CEO of Virginia Economic Development Partnership.
- Leadership Fredericksburg 2012 – Future sponsorship may be asked for but not at this time. Graduation will be May 18<sup>th</sup>, 2012. Brenda Schulte who the EDA sponsored will be graduating; she is the county's Ombudsman.
- Virginia Industrial Development Authorities Institute – The VIDA is hosting a 2-day seminar on developing positive business environments on May 22nd and 23<sup>rd</sup>. Stafford's EDA is welcome to attend.

6. **CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

None

## **7. COMMITTEE REPORT**

- On April 17, 2012 Mr. Rowley and Mr. Rowley attended the Leadership and Philanthropy Luncheon representing the EDA recognizing the contributions the EDA made to Germanna Community College.
- HH Hunt has sent a contract to Mrs. Smith for her 25 acres. HH Hunt will purchase the land for \$1MM; the land will be used for a Germanna Community College site.
- In March the EDA was sent a PowerPoint CD presentation on the partnership between Virginia Beach Government and Virginia Beach Public Schools and the community college for a technical center. A copy was sent to Mr. Newlin and Mr. Griffin.

## **8. OLD BUSINESS**

- Fredericksburg Regional Alliance (FRA) – Mr. Gene Bailey gave a presentation to the Economic Development Authority on the Fredericksburg Regional Alliance's new Strategic Plan. On May 23, 2012 the FRA will have a special Board Meeting and July 9<sup>th</sup> will be a FRA Regular Board Meeting; both these meetings will focus on finding a plan to put in place. The EDA would like to appoint one member to work with other area EDA members in assisting the FRA with the creation of their Strategic Plan. FRA metrics were requested for next meeting. Discussion followed.
- Virginians for High Speed Rail – The VHSR briefed the EDA in March on their group's activities and asked the EDA for a donation. The EDA discussed the request and decided not to contribute at this time.

## **9. NEW BUSINESS**

- Airport Terminal Building – Stafford Regional Airport sent a letter to the EDA consisting of the site plan of the proposed new terminal and runway enlargement. As an adjacent land owner the EDA may offer comments to the planning office, if desired. Stafford Regional Airport has approached the Board of Supervisors to support a \$1.3MM loan; no decision has been made by the Board at this time. More discussion planned for July's EDA meeting. Discussion Followed.
- EDA Airport Property Inquiry – EDA received a request for timbering of the EDA's airport property. The EDA agrees to sell the timber.
- EDA Logo – An EDA logo was chosen

- Workforce Investment Board (WIB) – Mr. Rowley has represented the county on the WIB for the last 2 ½ years and has chosen not to continue. He would like someone from the EDA to replacement him. A formal nomination by the Stafford Board of Supervisors will be required once the EDA has chosen Mr. Rowley’s replacement.

**10. ATTORNEY’S REPORT**

None

**11. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business brought before the Economic Development Authority, Mr. Newlin adjourned the meeting at 2:30 P.M. The next Meeting is scheduled for Friday, July 13, 2012.

**MINUTES SUBMITTED BY:**

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Tim Barody  
EDA Secretary

**MINUTES APPROVED BY:**

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Don Newlin  
EDA Chairman