

May 8, 2023

**MEETING OF THE POWHATAN COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
HELD AT CLASSIC GRANITE & MARBLE CONFERENCE ROOM, 1355 ANDERSON
HIGHWAY IN POWHATAN COUNTY, VIRGINIA, MAY 8, 2023 AT 6:00 PM**

EDA Members Present: Dan Jones, Chairman
Matt Schiefer
Russ Holland, Jr.

Absent: Frank Rennie, Vice-Chairman
Tim Benusa, Treasurer

Staff Members Present: Roxanne Salerno, Economic Development Manager

Guests: John Saber, Powhatan Habitat for Humanity- President
Susan Winiecki, Powhatan Habitat for Humanity- Executive Director

A. Call to Order

Chairman Jones called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and noted that all members were present with the exception of Mr. Benusa, who arrived at 6:16 PM. A quorum was established.

B. Treasurer’s Report- No report for May.

C. Old Business-

- a. Budget Update- Mrs. Salerno updated the board on the County’s budget and where EDA and the Economic Development departments requests for funding stood. No funds were approved for he EDA while an ED Assistant was approved to be added to the Economic Development department.
- b. Habitat for Humanity Discussion on Future Use of Urbine Property- Mrs. Winiecki provided a short presentation on Habitat for Humanity’s work and physical store. A future use plan was also presented as to what the plans were for the ReStore and potential housing projects in the County.
- c. Review of 2017 Riverlink Economic Development Strategic Plan- Mrs. Salerno gave an overview of the strategic plan and where the Economic Development department stood in terms of achieving the goals laid out in the plan. The plan has been implemented and is continuation of use and improvement. The board asked about a graph of the tax base over the last 10 years to see what progress has been made commercially.

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D. New Business-

- a. Mar/April 2023 Monthly Report-** Mrs. Salerno presented the report to the board with mention of certain business highlights of interest and asked if there were any questions.

E. Closed Session and Certification-

WHEREAS, the Economic Development Authority of Powhatan County desires to discuss in Closed Meeting the following matter(s):

Discussion or consideration of the lease of real property for a public purpose, or of the disposition of publicly held real property, where discussion in an open meeting would adversely affect the bargaining position or negotiating strategy of the public body concerning a parcel along Urbine Road.

WHEREAS, pursuant to: §2.2-3711(A)(1) (A)(3) of the Code of Virginia, such discussions may occur in Closed Meeting;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Economic Development Authority of Powhatan County does hereby authorize discussion of the aforesated matters in Closed Meeting. Mr. Rennie made a motion to approve a closed meeting by the state code of Virginia. Mr. Schiefer seconded the motion. Mr. Holland, Mr. Schiefer and Chairman Jones voted AYE. **MOTION Passed (3/0).**

Certification of Closed Meeting as authorized by the Code of Virginia.

To the best of your knowledge, were the only matters discussed in the closed meeting public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements, and that 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 closed meeting.

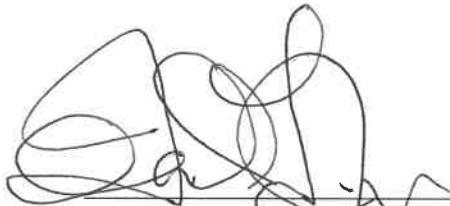
Director	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent from Meeting
Frank Rennie Jr.				X
Timothy Benusa				X
Russell E. Holland, Jr.	X			
Matt Schiefer	X			
Daniel G. Jones	X			
Staff	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent from Meeting
Bret Schardein				X
Roxanne Salerno	X			

F. Adjournment

There being no further business, Mr. Jones moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Holland made the motion and Mr. Schiefer seconded the motion. Mr. Schiefer, Mr. Holland and Chairman Jones voted AYE. **MOTION Passed (3/0).**


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The meeting was adjourned at 7:31 p.m.



Dan Jones, Chairman
Economic Development Authority

7/10/23
Date



Roxanne Salerno, Secretary
Economic Development Authority

7/10/23
Date