

# THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY OF STAFFORD COUNTY, VIRGINIA

## REGULAR BIMONTHLY MEETING MINUTES

January 11, 2008

### 1. CALL TO ORDER

The regularly scheduled bimonthly meeting of The Economic Development Authority (EDA), of Stafford County, Virginia was held on January 11, 2008 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
Edward Hontz	Vice Chairman
Joel Griffin	
Jo Knight	
Mark Safferstone	
Wendy Surman	
Jack Rowley	

#### Members Absent

None

#### Also Present:

Tim Barody	Secretary
Robert Carter	Treasurer
Charlie Payne	EDA Counsel

### 2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion for approval of the November 16, 2007 Regular Meeting Minutes was made by Mr. Rowley. Mr. Hontz seconded the motion.

**VOTE:** 7 - 0 approved

### 3. PUBLIC PRESENTATION

None

### 4. TREASURER'S REPORT

- December 10, 2007
- January 10, 2008
- A motion was made by Mr. Rowley to accept the Treasurer's reports. Ms. Knight seconded the motion.

**VOTE:** 7-0 approved

- Mr. Carter informed the Authority that the Riverside Center was requesting a \$2,400 deposit for the Business Appreciation Luncheon which will be held on May 15, 2008.

A motion was made by Ms. Knight to give Mr. Carter \$2400 for the deposit for the Riverside Center. Dr. Safferstone seconded the motion.

**VOTE:** 7-0 approved

**5. SECRETARY'S REPORT**

Mr. Baroody updated the Authority on the department's activities.

- Mr. Baroody informed the Authority that the department's Newsletter was about to be sent out. The January Newsletter is a new expanded version which includes information on redevelopment and the Business Retention Program. The Newsletter also announces to the business community that the Economic Development Department will be conducting its third biennial survey over the next couple of months. Mr. Baroody will report the results of the survey to the Authority in May.

**6. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

None

**7. COMMITTEE REPORT**

None

**8. OLD BUSINESS**

- Dr. Safferstone updated the Authority on the status of the Immigration Task Force.

**9. NEW BUSINESS**

- Dave Shotwell along with two students from Colonial Forge High School gave the Authority a Robotics presentation.

A motion was made by Ms. Surman for the EDA to contribute \$5,000 to the Robotics Team. Ms. Knight seconded.

**VOTE:** 7-0 approved

- Brad Johnson Stafford County redevelopment manager gave the Authority an update on the Boswell Corner area. Mr. Baroody also informed the Authority of the high cost of Master Planning.
- BRE Team Kickoff Event will be held on March 7, 2008 at 8:30 at the UMW Graduate Center. It will be a 3 ½ hour event that will bring County staff from all departments together to learn the basics of the Business Retention Program.

Mr. Baroody requested the Authority go into executive session to discuss a business prospect.

Mr. Payne council for the EDA stated that this executive session was in accordance with Section 2.2 – 3711 of the Code of VA 1950 as amended, in regards to discussion concerning prospective business or industry expansion into the area that has not otherwise announced publicly being here.

A motion was made by Mr. Hontz to go into an executive session. Ms. Surman seconded the motion.

**VOTE:** 7-0 approved

After coming out of the executive session Mr. Newlin stated that no votes were taken, and nothing else was discussed.

- The February work session will be a special meeting of the EDA and will be held on February 8, 2008 at 12:30 pm in the Economic Development Conference Room.

**10. ATTORNEY'S REPORT**

None

**11. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business brought before the EDA, Mr. Newlin adjourned the meeting at 2:45P.M. to the Special Meeting on Friday, February 8, in the Economic Development Conference Room.

**MINUTES SUBMITTED BY:**

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Tim Baroody  
EDA Secretary

**MINUTES APPROVED BY:**

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Don Newlin  
EDA Chairman

