

THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY OF STAFFORD COUNTY, VIRGINIA

REGULAR BIMONTHLY MEETING MINUTES

May 9, 2008

1. CALL TO ORDER

The regularly scheduled bimonthly meeting of The Economic Development Authority (EDA), of Stafford County, Virginia was held on May 9, 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
Dr. Sam	Germanna Community College
Brad Johnson	Redevelopment Manager

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion for approval of the March 14, 2008 Regular Meeting Minutes was made by Mr. Rowley. Mr. Griffen seconded the motion.

VOTE: 7-0 approved

3. PUBLIC PRESENTATION

None

4. TREASURER'S REPORT

- April 2008
- May 2008

A motion was made by Mr. Hontz to accept the Treasurer's reports. Ms. Surman seconded the motion.

VOTE: 7-0 approved

5. **SECRETARY'S REPORT**

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

- Mr. Baroody reviewed the 2008 EDA Annual Report that was handed out at the Business Appreciation Luncheon and mailed to all the businesses in Stafford. He thanked everyone for attending the lunch and had received a lot of positive feedback on the clever presentation by County Administrator Anthony Romanello.

6. **CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

None

7. **COMMITTEE REPORT**

None

8. **OLD BUSINESS**

- Dr. Safferstone updated the Authority on the report that was presented to the Board of Supervisors by the Immigration Task Force Chairman.
- Ms. Surman and Mr. Griffen reminded everyone that the Grand Opening of the Globe & Laurel will take place starting at 6pm June 6, 2008.
- Dr. Sam, President of Germanna Community College talked about the RFP for locating GCC in the northern part of Stafford. They had received one from the Town Center at Aquia at \$38/sq. ft and one from the North Stafford Center for Business & Technology for \$30.50/sq.ft. Dr. Sam said he is asking "all or everyone" for help in closing his \$1million gap for the first few years of operation. He emphasized that the revenues are conservative on the number of students and tuition re-imbusement that follows behind, or lags after the state will pay the costs back to Germanna. It is not \$1 million or nothing before he can move forward. After much discussion it was decided to take this matter up in the June work session of the EDA.

9. **NEW BUSINESS**

Redevelopment update – Brad Johnson –Southern Gateway

Brad Johnson Stafford County Redevelopment Manager reviewed the last of the 4 areas, Southern Gateway. This area west of 95 on Warrenton Rd. is the most developed of the 4 areas in Stafford. He reviewed the plan and explained that the developing a grid pattern, both north and south of US 17 is one of the main goals. He is currently working under contract with CMSS to take the visions to the next step and develop master plans for these areas.

Mr. Baroody stated that the Board of Supervisors had appointed a Redevelopment Advisory Committee and needed a member from the EDA. Ms. Surman and Ms. Knight volunteered and were accepted by the members.

The members asked to have a June work session to review:

- Airplane tax rates in Stafford

- Aquia Creek dredging request
- GCC in Stafford

10. ATTORNEY'S REPORT

None

11. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business brought before the EDA, Mr. Newlin adjourned the meeting at 2:40P.M. to the Regular Meeting on Friday, July 11, 2008.

MINUTES SUBMITTED BY:

Tim Baroody
EDA Secretary

MINUTES APPROVED BY:

Don Newlin
EDA Chairman