

**King and Queen County  
Industrial Development Authority/  
Economic Development Authority  
Minutes  
September 1, 2022**

A regular meeting of the King and Queen County Industrial Development Authority/Economic Development Authority was held September 1, 2022 at 8:30 a.m. in 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Conference Room in the Courts and Administration Building.

Members Present: George Longest, Tommy Adkins, Jesse Holmes, Robert Fraser, Plunard Robinson

**Call To Order**

Chairman Lonest called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

**Approval of Minutes**

A motion was made by Mr. Fraser and seconded by Ms. Robinson to approve the minutes for the August 5, 2021, December 2, 2021, February 3, 2022, February 18, 2022, March 3, 2022, May 5, 2022 and July 2, 2022 meetings as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

**Financial Report**

Ms. Ammons provided updated financial reports and gave a brief overview of the ongoing expenses. She noted that the cost for insurance will decrease significantly next year due to the transfer of the Farmer's Market property to the county. She also noted that she has been working with Fulcrum on getting their payments up to date due to an online banking glitch.

**Old Business**

- A. Telework Center – Ms. Ammons and Ms. Swartzwelder provided an update on this project. Due to specific requirements with the federal EDA grant, the project has slowed a bit but it is moving forward. VDOT has allowed changes to the funding structure in their grant and so changes to the building and site plan are being made to accommodate that.
- B. Premier Tech – Mr. Miller advised that state is continuing to work with them on meeting their benchmarks. They are still struggling to meet the hiring requirements.
- C. Mr. Longest requested an update on the Cardinal Farms AFID grant. Mr. Miller advised that the last contact he had with Mr. Gaul was that they had not started construction.
- D. The members discussed the need to have the website updated. Mr. Adkins stated that he had not had a chance to look into it yet but will have something for the next meeting.

**New Business**

- A. Presentation by Nancy Price, Virginia Economic Development Partnership. Ms. Price update members on changes within the Partnership, potential opportunities for King and Queen businesses. Members asked questions and provided feedback on the needs of businesses in the county.

- B. Virginia Agriculture Development Officer Multi State Meeting – Mr. Miller advised that he will be attending this meeting in October.
- C. Governor’s Rural Summit – Mr. Miller advised that he will be attending this meeting as well. It is scheduled for October and is being held in Smithfield.

Other Business

- A. Staff will try to schedule the October meeting at Fulcrum.
- B. Mr. Swartzwelder updated the members on the county ARPA Tourism grant which will be creating new website and promotional media for the county. As part of this, the county is updating its website as well. Staff will reach out to Consociate Media about possibility of meeting with the EDA for ideas on their website.
- C. Mr. Swartzwelder advised that the county has hired a new County Administrator and County Attorney, Vivian Seay who will be coming onboard in the next month or so. He will still be around during the transition.

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 10:10 a.m.

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Jesse Holmes, Secretary