

**MINUTES  
KING WILLIAM COUNTY  
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY  
MEETING OF AUGUST 11, 2021**

A regular meeting of the King William County Economic Development Authority Board of Directors was held on the 11th day of August 2021, beginning at 7:00 p.m. in the Board Room of the County Administration Building and via Zoom.

**Agenda Item 1. CALL TO ORDER**

Vice Chair Rhoads called the meeting to order.

**Agenda Item 2. ROLL CALL**

The members were polled:

Eugene L. Campbell, Jr.	Absent
Travis W. Longest	Absent
C. Meade Rhoads, Jr. – Vice Chair	Present
Kenneth A. Holderied	Present – via Zoom
Charles F. Piersa	Present
Jay Brown – Chairman	Present – via Zoom

**Agenda Item 3. REVIEW AND ADOPTION OF MEETING AGENDA**

Vice Chair Rhoads made a motion to adopt the Meeting Agenda as presented; seconded by Authority Member Piersa. There being no discussion or opposition, the Meeting Agenda was adopted as presented.

**Agenda Item 4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**a. July 12, 2021 Special Called Joint Work Session**

**b. June 29, 2021 Special Called Meeting**

**c. March 10, 2021 Regular Meeting (Corrected)**

**d. January 13, 2021 Regular Meeting (Corrected)**

Authority Member Piersa made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Authority Member Holderied seconded. With no discussion or opposition, the minutes were approved as presented.

**Agenda Item 5. TREASURER'S REPORT**

No Report

## **Agenda Item 6. CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT**

No Report

## **Agenda Item 7. OTHER REPORTS**

No Reports

## **Agenda Item 8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

### **a. RKG Update – Meade Rhoads, Vice Chair**

Vice Chair Rhoads said the agreement with RKG has been signed. He would like to schedule regular meetings between the EDA and RKG every two weeks to keep the project moving forward, process information as it's presented, and ensure results. Interim County Administrator, Steve Hudgins, said the first thing to do is meet with RKG to set a timeline and expectations. Vice Chair Rhoads will talk with RKG and ask them to be present at the next regular EDA meeting on September 8, 2021.

Authority Member Piersa asked what kind of industry the county is looking for. Mr. Hudgins said industrial and commerce to help alleviate the tax burden from the citizens. Vice Chair Rhoads said he believed heavy industrial, such as mining, would produce the most tax revenue for the County. He said the County does not have the advantages that other places with interstate access have. He said industry that provides employment and pays bigger dollar rents is needed as well as growth other than residential. Authority Member Holderied said we need to utilize current vacancies at the intersection of Routes 360 & 600. Authority Member Piersa said he thinks any type of industry that meets the needs of the citizens will attract traffic and disagreed that the County has a disadvantage in not having an interstate nearby. He said there is already significant traffic coming from both the east and west traveling through the County to get to other places for shopping and employment. Vice Chair Rhoads said he is not convinced commerce and retail will generate the type of revenue the County needs and he hopes the RKG study will help the EDA make a difference to the community.

### **b. Board Skills Assessment – Jay Brown, Chair**

Vice Chair Rhoads said only two people had completed the assessment so far. He asked the Authority Members to complete the assessment and forward to himself and Chairman Brown so the matrix can be filled out and reveal areas of need for filling the two vacant spots on the EDA Board.

Authority Member Piersa asked for clarification on some of the different items on the assessment. Mr. Hudgins said to explain how your experience and knowledge fits in each category. It will be different for everyone. Authority Member Piersa asked if it would be beneficial to fill out during a meeting. Vice Chair Rhoads said he'd like to compile as much information before the next meeting as possible and, if there were still some members'

information missing, it could be completed at that time. Authority Member Holderied apologized for not turning in his information.

**Agenda Item 9. NEW BUSINESS**

There was no new business to discuss.

**Agenda Item 10. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

There were no members of the public present.

**Agenda Item 11. NEXT MEETING - SEPTEMBER 8, 2021**

Vice Chair Rhoads will invite RKG to join this meeting.

**Agenda Item 12. ADJOURN OR RECESS**

Authority Member Holderied made a motion to adjourn. Motion was seconded by Authority Member Piersa. There being no discussion and no opposition, Vice Chair Rhoads adjourned the Economic Development Authority Board.

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Jay Brown  
EDA Chairman

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Christine H. Branch  
Deputy Clerk