

## Minutes of Meeting

**Monday April 12, 2021**

**5:00 PM**

**Zoom (also YouTube)**

**Members:** Curtis Putnam (p) Valerie Palamountain (p) Ben Hudson(p)  
Rovelle Brown (p) Rudy Garcia (p) Lois Mastro (p)  
Lorretta Johnson-Morgan(p)  
P – present, A- absent

**Guests: none**

**County Staff: Douglas Miles(p), Bryan Rothamel(p), Eric Dahl(p)**

- I. Chair Curtis Putnam convened the assembly of EDA members at 5:03 PM**
- II. Minutes Approved – March 8, 2021 minutes Mastro/Palamountain (6-0) Garcia- absent**
- III. Treasure’s Report-** Ben Hudson reported a balance of \$39,608.35 as of 3/31/21 reflecting interest earned from last month’s report. Motion of report approval Palamountain/Johnson-Morgan (7-0)
- IV. County Report -**Bryan Rothamel reported that Tractor Trailer Supply Co.’s ribbon cutting was April 3<sup>rd</sup>. Firefly is on track to complete its original project(CVEC footprint) by 2022. Staff has regular communication with Firefly about expansion and next steps. The Board of Supervisors will entertain an MOU with Firefly, Dominion, and Rappahannock Electric Coop to study bringing fiber to the home in the non-CVEC footprint on April 14<sup>th</sup> at 7 P.M. The study will be completed this summer. Afterwards, Firefly will provide funding options to complete the work. Dominion will own the “middle mile’ and Firefly will own the “last mile”. Under planning and zoning, Dominion Energy has filed a rezoning application for an adjacent parcel to the Bremono Power Station. The rezoning and companion SUP is to build a lined landfill to deposit the coal ash from the plant. This a federal and state regulated process. Dominion Energy has moved the 602 million cubic yards of coal ash to a lined landfill. The proposed process will eliminate coal ash transportation on public roads and move the ash from an unlined former pond to a lined landfill. This would be a decade long project. As part of this process, Dominion Energy has proffered \$49.5 million in improvements. Dominion Energy has a website for this project: [DomnionEnergy.com/BremoCCR](http://DomnionEnergy.com/BremoCCR) or can email [BremoCCR@dominionenergy.com](mailto:BremoCCR@dominionenergy.com) . There will be an open house information session on April 29 from 6-7:30 P.M. at the Fluvanna Community Center in Fork Union. Eric Dahl said where the James River Intake will be is not finalized. Silk City Printing, EDA and the State incentives agreement will be worked on by Jim Bowling..
- V. Chair’s Report-** Chair Putnam reported that Forward Fluvanna costs about half of what was anticipated. We are sponsoring seven presently. For the next round, CIC, SB and Rudy Garcia will help to find candidates.
- VI. Public Comment and Unfinished Business - none**
- VII. New Business –** Curtis Putnam said the CIC cost per student was about \$350. Rudy Garcia commented based on that estimate Forward Fluvanna could handle about 18 students. After the second round, any remaining money could be distributed/awarded through two filters – first, a video pitch application and secondly, an interview with the committee. Rudy Garcia made a motion for change to Forward Fluvanna with these modifications to be adopted with oversight of CACF. Ben Hudson second. (7-0). Curtis Putnam suggested future goals of fostering

entrepreneurships, sustain/ grow businesses, and raise funds. Valerie Palamountain motioned, second by Rudy Garcia, "to go into closed meeting as allowed by Section 2.2-3711 subsection A.5 of the Virginia Code, to discuss prospective industry, as allowed under Section 2.2-3712 of the Virginia code." (7-0) Motion on closure of closed meeting Palamountain/Johnson-Morgan (7-0). A motion by Garcia/Hudson (7-0) that the closed session abided the following regulation. "At the conclusion of any closed meeting, the public body holding such a meeting shall immediately reconvene and shall take a roll call or other recorded vote to be included in the minutes of that body, certifying that to the best of member's knowledge (i) only lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under this chapter and (ii) only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which closed the meeting was convened were heard, discussed, or considered in the meeting by the public body." Rudy Garcia requested an ad-hoc committee on Pitch be formed at the next meeting. Next meeting is May 10th.

**Adjournment:** There being no further business to come before the Authority, the Chair adjourned the meeting at 8:04 PM.

**Minutes Recorded by Lois Mastro.**

Respectfully submitted,

Lois Mastro, Secretary