

**Minutes of Meeting
Monday December 12, 2022, 5:00 PM**

Directors: Joshua Bower (p) Valerie Palamountain (p) Ben Hudson (a)
Brittany Gray (p) Rudy Garcia (p) Lois Mastro (p)
Lorretta Johnson-Morgan (p)
P – present A – absent
Due to medical reasons, Mastro attended virtually in Palmyra, VA.

Guests: Alan Davis

County Staff: Douglas Miles (p), Eric Dahl (p), Jennifer Schmack (p)

- I. Chair Garcia convened the assembly of EDA directors at 5:02 PM**
Palamountain motioned to approve virtual attendance for Lois Mastro, Johnson-Morgan seconded (4-0-1)
- II. Minutes Approved – November 14, 2022 minutes.** Palamountain motioned to approve, and Johnson-Morgan seconded (4-0-1)
- III. Presentation – Fluvanna Comp. Plan Update.** Douglas Miles, Community Development Director presented information on the Fluvanna County Comprehensive Plan Update.
- IV. Treasurer’s Report** – Filling in for Treasurer Hudson, Chair Garcia reported a balance of \$25,142.36 as of 12/16/22 reflecting \$1.35 interest earned. For the approval of Treasurer’s report, Bower motioned; Palamountain seconded (5-0-1).
- V. County Report** – Jennifer Schmack reported on one ribbon cutting Local Eats Food Truck. She also visited seven (7) existing businesses, interacted with fifteen (15) partnerships, three (3) inquiries and three (3) SBDC referrals. Schmack shared the Community Investment Collaborative is currently accepting applications for the spring 2023 Entrepreneur Workshop. The SBDC will conduct office hours at the Fluvanna Chamber on December 15. Johnson-Morgan asked if the SBDC would consider weekend office hours in Fluvanna for the small business owners, Schmack will discuss with the Fluvanna SBDC Advisor. Schmack announced the Grand Opening and Ribbon Cutting Ceremony for the Fluvanna County Community Center Commercial Kitchen will take place on December 21 at 3:00 pm.
- VI. Chair’s Report** – Mindful of the time, Chair Garcia directed the board to the closed session.
- VII. Public Comment** – Alan Davis commented on the Comprehensive Plan presentation and the importance of beautification along the County’s gateways.
- VIII. Unfinished Business** – no unfinished business was reported.

- IX. New Business** – discussion ensued to change the January meeting date to January 23, 2023 at 5:00 pm.
- X. Closed Session-** Gray motioned to reconvene in a closed session; Johnson-Morgan seconded (6-0). I (Gray) move that this meeting reconvene in a closed meeting for the purposes of:
1. Pursuant to Virginia Code Section 2.2-3711 (A)(5), the discussion or consideration of the acquisition of real property for a public purpose, or of the disposition of or publicly held property, where discussion in open meeting would adversely affect the bargaining position or negotiating strategy of the Authority, specifically including property located at Fork Union Business Park.
 2. Pursuant to Virginia Code Section 2.2-3711 (A)(5), discussion concerning a prospective business or industry or the expansion of an existing business or industry where no previous announcement has been made of the business' or the industry's interest in locating or expanding its facilities in the community, specifically concerning Project Storage.

Bower motioned and read: A RESOLUTION OF CERTIFICATION OF THE CLOSED MEETING OF DECEMBER 12, 2022

PURSUANT TO SECTION 2.2-3712 OF THE CODE OF VIRGINIA (1950), AS AMENDED

WHEREAS, the Economic Development Authority of Fluvanna County, Virginia has convened a closed meeting on the above date pursuant to an affirmative recorded vote and in accordance with the provisions of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act; and

WHEREAS, Section 2.2-3712 of the Code of Virginia requires a certification by this AUTHORITY that such closed meeting was conducted in conformity with Virginia law.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Economic Development Authority of Fluvanna County, Virginia hereby certifies that, to the best of each member's knowledge, (i) only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements of Virginia law and (ii) only such public business matters as were identified in the motion convening the closed meeting were heard, discussed, or considered by the Economic Development Authority of Fluvanna County, Virginia in the closed meeting.

The motion was seconded by Johnson-Morgan, followed by a roll call vote (5-0-1).

Adjournment: There being no further business to come before the Authority, the Chair adjourned the meeting at 5:16 PM. Motion to adjourn Palamountain/Bower (5-0-1).
Next meeting is January 23, 2023 at 5:00 PM.

Minutes Recorded by Jennifer Schmack.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Schmack
Director of Economic Development
Fluvanna County