

Economic Development Authority of Fluvanna County

April 08, 2024

Attendance:

Joshua Bower (p)

Valerie Palamountain (p)

Ben Hudson (p)

Brittany Grey (p)

Rudy Garcia (p)

Raghvendra Singh (a)

Jeffrey Potter (p)

County Staff:

Jennifer Schmack (p)

Eric Dahl (p)

P - Present A - Absent

I. Meeting was called to order at 5:00 pm.

II. Approval of Consent Agenda

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda was made by Bower. Seconded by Potter. Unanimously approved 6-0.

IV. Reports

A. Schmack gave the County report:

1. Visits to existing business - 22
2. Events - 10
3. Other - 19
4. Prospects/Real Estate inquiries - 6
5. Commercial Kitchen inquiries - 0
6. Small Business Referrals - 3
7. Dan Fellows, Business Advisor, referrals - 6
8. Introduced Find Fluvanna newsletter
9. Rack cards are being reprinted. Supply was depleted.
10. Palmyra Arts Fest is April 13. 1,000 people are expected.
11. April 16 is Chamber Education
12. Two ribbon cuttings on April 6, RDL Pool Supplies, and Tropic Tan; Scarlet's Flowers on April 16; Hidden Gem on April 27.
13. Groovin' at the Grove will be held on the second Saturday of each month from May through October. The first event will be on May 11 from 5:00-7:00 pm. Music, food trucks and beer garden.

B. Chair's Report:

1. Chair asked that members consider running for officer positions for next fiscal year.
2. Potter moved that the June meeting be cancelled. Bower seconded. Motion passed 6-0.

IV. New Business

- A. Chair Garcia presented the 2024-25 budget. Palamountain moved to approve the budget as amended with the removal of \$250 for the Louisa County Business Summit which has been cancelled. Bower seconded. Budget was passed 6-0.
- B. County Administrator Dahl presented the Final EDA Agreement with Central Virginia Electric Cooperative. CVEC met its commitment on the agreement. The BOS will give the EDA \$500,000 which will be paid to CVEC as per the agreement. Palamountain

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moved to accept the Local Taxes Grant payment in the amount of \$500,000 from the Fluvanna County Board of Supervisors, and approve the payment to Central Virginia Services, Inc., for the Agreement dated July 18, 2018 between the EDA, Central Virginia Electric Cooperative (CVEC), and Central Virginia Services, Inc. (CVSI), for the expansion of broadband in Fluvanna County.

- C. Schmack presented the amended Virtual Attendance Policy to comply with Virginia Code. The Bylaws will need to be changed in a subsequent meeting. Bower moved that the Economic Development Authority adopt this Resolution as its amendment to the written policy authorizing remote electronic participation. Hudson seconded. Voice vote was held with all members voting aye. The motion was passed 6-0.
- D. Hudson moved the the Economic Development Authority appoint Dan Whitten as the Freedom of Information Officer. Bower seconded. Motion passed 6-0.

V. Public Comments

No public comments.

VI. Adjournment

Motion made by Bower. Seconded by Potter. Approved unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 5:46 pm. The next meeting is May 13, 2024.

Respectfully submitted,

Valerie Palamountain

Valerie Palamountain, Secretary