Economic Development Authority of Fluvanna County May13, 2024

Attendance:

Joshua Bower (p) Brittany Grey (p) Jeffrey Potter (p)

County Staff: Jennifer Schmack (p) Eric Dahl (p) Valerie Palamountain (p) Rudy Garcia (p)

Ben Hudson (p) Raghvendra Singh (p)

P - Present A - Absent

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

II. Approval of Consent Agenda

Bower, who is attending a School Board meeting, in Palmyra, VA, requested to participate by phone. Motion by Potter. Seconded by Hudson. Motion was unanimously approved 6-0.

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda was made by Bower. Seconded by Hudson. Unanimously approved 7-0.

IV. Reports

A. Schmack gave the County report:

- 1. Visits to existing business 23
- 2. Events 18
- 3. Other 24
- 4. Prospects/Real Estate inquiries 8
- 5. Commercial Kitchen inquiries 1
- 6. Small Business Referrals 3
- 7. Ribbon Cuttings:7.A. Bunker Bistro (May 14)7.B.Papa Jim's at Turkey Sag (May 17)
- 8. Palmyra Arts Fest is June 8. The number of artists is at capacity.
- 9. Chamber Education is on Quad Tank on May 21, followed by Small Business office hours. Quad tank applications are due May 30; competition in June 13 in Orange.
- 10. Groovin' at the Grove will be held on the second Saturday of each month from May through October. The second event will be on June 8 from 5:00-7:00 pm. Music, food trucks and beer garden.
- 11. Dan Fellows, Business Advisor, will speak to the EDA at the July meeting.
- B. Chair's Report:
 - 1. Chair officer positions will be elected for next fiscal year at the July meeting. Anyone interested in the Treasurer position should contact Garcia or Palamountain.

IV. Old Business

A. Hudson moved that the Economic Development Authority approve a Resolution Regarding Local Taxes Grant to Central Virginia Services, Inc. for Broadband Deployment. Seconded by Singh. Approved 7-0.

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V. New Business

A. Potter asked about farming/agricultural training for adults. Potter agreed to do more research and draft a business proposal. Schmack announced a roundtable on food production will be held on 5/15/24 hosted by Fluvanna Economic Development and Virginia Career Works.

VI. Public Comments

No public comments.

VII. Adjournment

Motion made by Palamountain. Seconded by Gray. Approved unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 5:30 pm. The next meeting is July 8, 2024.

Respectfully submitted,

Valerie Palamountain

Valerie Palamountain, Secretary