

**Economic Development Authority of Fluvanna County
August 11, 2025**

Attendance:

Joshua Bower (p)

Valerie Palamountain (p)

Brittany Grey (a)

Rudy Garcia (p)

Jeffrey Potter (p)

Charlotte Gregory (a)

Raghvendra Singh (p)

County Staff:

Jennifer Schmack (p)

Elyse Wood (p)

Guests: None

P - Present A - Absent

I. Meeting was called to order at 5:02 pm.

II. Approval of Consent Agenda

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda was made by Bower. Seconded by Potter .
Unanimously approved 5-0 by Bower, Garcia, Palamountain, Potter, Singh.

III. Reports

A. Schmack gave the County report for March:

1. Visits to existing business - 13
2. Partner Agencies, Networking Events, Conferences Attended - 19
3. Other - 33
4. Prospects/Real Estate inquiries - 1
5. Commercial Kitchen inquiries - 0
6. Commercial Kitchen Rentals - 0
7. Small Business Referrals - 2
8. Ribbon Cuttings - 0

Fluvanna is still leading in the number of counseling hours with the SBDC.

Ribbon Cuttings:

Hensley's Antiques on 8/15/25

Fluvanna Rotary Bike Repair Station on 8/18/25

Events:

SBDC visit on 8/25/25. Elizabeth Ladner is the new SBDC Business Advisor.

Art in the Park 9/13/25 in Pleasant Grove.

Groovin' at the Grove on 9/13/25.

Map of properties that are zoned industrial was presented.

B. Chair's Report:

Chair Garcia reported that the Singh and Garcia will develop a financial policy and present it to the EDA for approval. Garcia proposed that all financial records be kept on

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a shared drive instead of a thumb drive. Online banking will be set up the week of 8/11/25.

Schmack presented an overview of the proposed Tenaska expansion. An open house is scheduled for 8/14/25 at Fluvanna County High School. Website is: www.ExpeditionGeneratingStation.com.

V. Unfinished Business

- A. Chair Garcia submitted the proposed budget for FY26. Palamountain moved that the budget be approved. Seconded by Bower. Motion approved 5-0 by Bower, Garcia, Palamountain, Potter, Singh.
- B. Potter attended Rural Preservation Advisory Council meeting over the past month. There was nothing to report.
- C. Potter and Schmack had a fact-finding meeting with a business that builds data centers. Specialty workload centers are usually small footprint. Water for cooling is closed loop systems. Water runoff needs to be addressed by the business. Next steps are to investigate a technology overlay district to present to the Planning Commission.

VI. New Business

- A. None.

VII. Public Comments

- A. None.

VIII. Closed Session

- A. None.

VIII. Adjourn

Motion made by Bower. Seconded by Potter. Approved 5-0 by Bower, Garcia,, Palamountain, Potter, Singh. The meeting adjourned at 6:00 pm. The next meeting is September 8, 2025.

Respectfully submitted,

Valerie Palamountain

Valerie Palamountain, Secretary