



Tucker County Development Authority

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Minutes

Tucker County Development Authority

June 14, 2018 – 6:00 PM 494 Riverstone Road, Davis, WV 26260

Board Members Present:

Alan Tomson - Vice President, Roscoe 'Ronnie' Beall - Treasurer, County Commissioner Patrick Darlington, JR Helmick, Sandra Frank, Ben Nelson, Titus Helmick, and Dan Dilly (Arrived Late)

Board Members Not Present: Wayne Smith - President, Cory Chase, Brandon Wilfong, Bruce Kolsun

Quorum present? Yes

Attendees:

Executive Director: Steve Leyh

Other: Dennis Filler, Tucker County Planner

Call To Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:04 pm by Al Tomson, Vice President.

Minutes

Ronnie Beall moved to approve the minutes from the May 10, 2018 meeting and the motion was seconded by JR Helmick. The minutes of the previous meeting were approved unanimously.

Billing and Communication

Vice President Tomson read a letter from the Snow Sports Museum requesting a donation of \$250 for a reception. No further action was taken.

Treasurer's Report

Vice President Tomson noted that the financial report had been emailed out to the board and asked if there were any questions about the report.



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The financial report will be placed on file for audit.

Dan Dilly joined the meeting at 6:11 PM

Executive Director's Report

Stumptown Ales Lease

- Finalized 10-year lease with Stumptown Ales for shell building in Tucker County Industrial Park.

Rural Rise Summit

- Attended the inaugural Rural Rise Summit at Canaan Valley Resort. More than 150 attendees from 22 states gathered in Tucker County to learn how to create a more supportive ecosystem for rural entrepreneurs.

Mountain Laurel Board Meeting

- Met the board of Mountain Laurel Learning Cooperative to answer questions about the Davis Center redevelopment project.

Chamber of Commerce Banquet

- Attended the annual Tucker County Chamber of Commerce Banquet at Canaan Valley Resort.

Utilities

- Transferred utilities for both the shell building and the opera house to Stumptown Ales and ArtSpring respectively.

Canaan Valley National Wildlife Refuge Ribbon Cutting

- Attended a ribbon-cutting of the new ADA accessible boat launch on the Blackwater River near the Brown Mountain Parking Lot.

Business Coaching

- I continue to meet and help guide potential new businesses to resources to start their businesses in Tucker County.

Eastern / NYSF Meeting & Tour

- Participated in meeting and tour of the National Youth Science Center with the President and staff from Eastern WV Community & Technical College and Andy Blackwood with the National Youth Science Foundation.



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Corridor H Highway Authority

- Attended a meeting of the Corridor H Highway Authority to discuss the possibility of introducing R-CAP Legislation in Congress to support the completion of the highway.

Senator Manchin Representative

- Met with Michael Garcia, Senator Manchin's Representative to discuss some of the economic development and infrastructure issues facing Tucker County. We concluded his visit with a tour of the Tucker County Industrial Park.

Tucker County Chamber of Commerce

- Discussed possible future collaborations with the Tucker County Chamber of Commerce including the development of a business directory.

AML Grant

- Working with the Tucker Community Foundation to apply for an Abandoned Mines Land Grant to help fund the renovations of the Davis Center.

WVHAZ Monthly Meeting

- Participated in a conference call of the Hardwood Alliance Zone. Discussed the upcoming West Virginia Economic Development Council Annual Conference that will be hosted in Tucker County at Canaan Valley Resort on September 23-25.

Pitch Contest

Continue to raise money to help fund the annual pitch contest. Date has been set for June 18 at the Tucker County High School.

Teen Entrepreneurial Summit

- Helped judge and offered business advice to 53 students who participated in Teen Entrepreneurial Summit at Camp Horseshoe.

Microsoft Airband Initiative

- Communicating with Microsoft about a new initiative to use television whitespace for broadband internet.

Davis Center Redevelopment

- Continue to work with West Virginia Department of Natural Resources to secure a master lease for the Davis Center property.



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Old Business

Land Swap

Commissioner Patrick Darlington reported that deed exchange has been approved by the Development Authority we are now waiting on the Attorney General for final approval.

Board Vacancy

Vice President Tomson encouraged the board to reach out to anyone who might be interested in serving on the board.

Davis Center Redevelopment

Executive Director Steve Leyh explained the Development Authority's preliminary offer of \$1 per square foot for a 36-year lease seemed to be agreeable by WV Department of Natural Resources. WVDNR will provide snow removal at the facility with the understanding that it wouldn't be a priority of the park. The Executive Director has requested a draft master lease from WVDNR for the board to review that would specify the details of the agreement.

Industrial Park Protective Covenants & Restrictions

The board agreed to form a committee to begin reviewing the protective covenants and restrictions. The following members volunteered to be part of the committee: Al Tomson, Ronnie Beall, Patrick Darlington, Sandy Frank. County Planner Dennis Filler also volunteered to help with the project.

New Business

FY19 Budget

The board reviewed the proposed FY19 budget. Sandy Frank motioned to move \$35,000 from reserves to add to revenues of the proposed FY19 budget. Ronnie Beall seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.



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Industrial Park Signage

Executive Director Steve Leyh explained that he is seeking quotes for new signage at the industrial park. The board encouraged him to get a further breakdown of the costs and contact additional local vendors for bids.

Public Comment

No Public Comment.

Adjourn

The board voted to adjourn the meeting at 7:15 pm after a motion from Ronnie Beall and a second from Sandy Frank.

The next Tucker County Development Authority meeting will be held on July 12, 2018 at 6 pm in the Clower Run Conference Room at the National Youth Science Foundation Building, 494 Riverstone Road, Davis West Virginia.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Steve Leyh, Executive Director.